

Fateful 19 Days

AN EDITORIAL

Nineteen days remain before the trial of the 12 Communist Party leaders opens in New York City on Jan. 17.

In these 19 days, the democratic public of our country has the duty of raising a protest so vigorous that the Truman administration will be compelled to dismiss the infamous indictments against the Communist leaders.

We say this because it is not only the 12 Communist individuals who will face trial on frame-up charges; the very Constitution of the U.S.A., with the precious Bill of Rights, will be in the dock.

For this coming Jan. 17 is the trial of a political party. It is the trial not of men charged with having done certain things, but of men charged with believing and thinking certain things. The charge against them is that they formed a political party in 1945 based on Socialist principles of Marxism-Leninism.

This means that the Government and the Attorney General are ready to dictate to the American public which ideas, which political views they shall have the right to hear and which ideas shall be considered as criminal ideas.

It is the right of the American people to judge for themselves the rightness and wrongness of the Communist Party's views. If the American people lose the right to judge this issue for themselves, they will lose the right to judge any and all issues for themselves.

An aroused public opinion, therefore, must not permit this trial to take place. The trial itself is a frame-up and a blow at the Bill of Rights regardless of how it ends.

We urge that every reader of this paper dedicate himself within the next 19 days to a practical plan of action:

- Wire or write to President Truman at the White House, and to Attorney General Tom Clark, Department of Justice Building, Washington, D.C., demanding the dismissal of these "thought control" indictments as a violation of the Bill of Rights.

- Organize similar messages in your house, neighborhood, school, church, etc.

- Visit all community groups, churches, unions, etc., to alert their members to this coming trial and urge them to send messages of protest to the President and Attorney General Clark as stated above.

Finally, we urge that our readers inform this paper of such actions. Act now.

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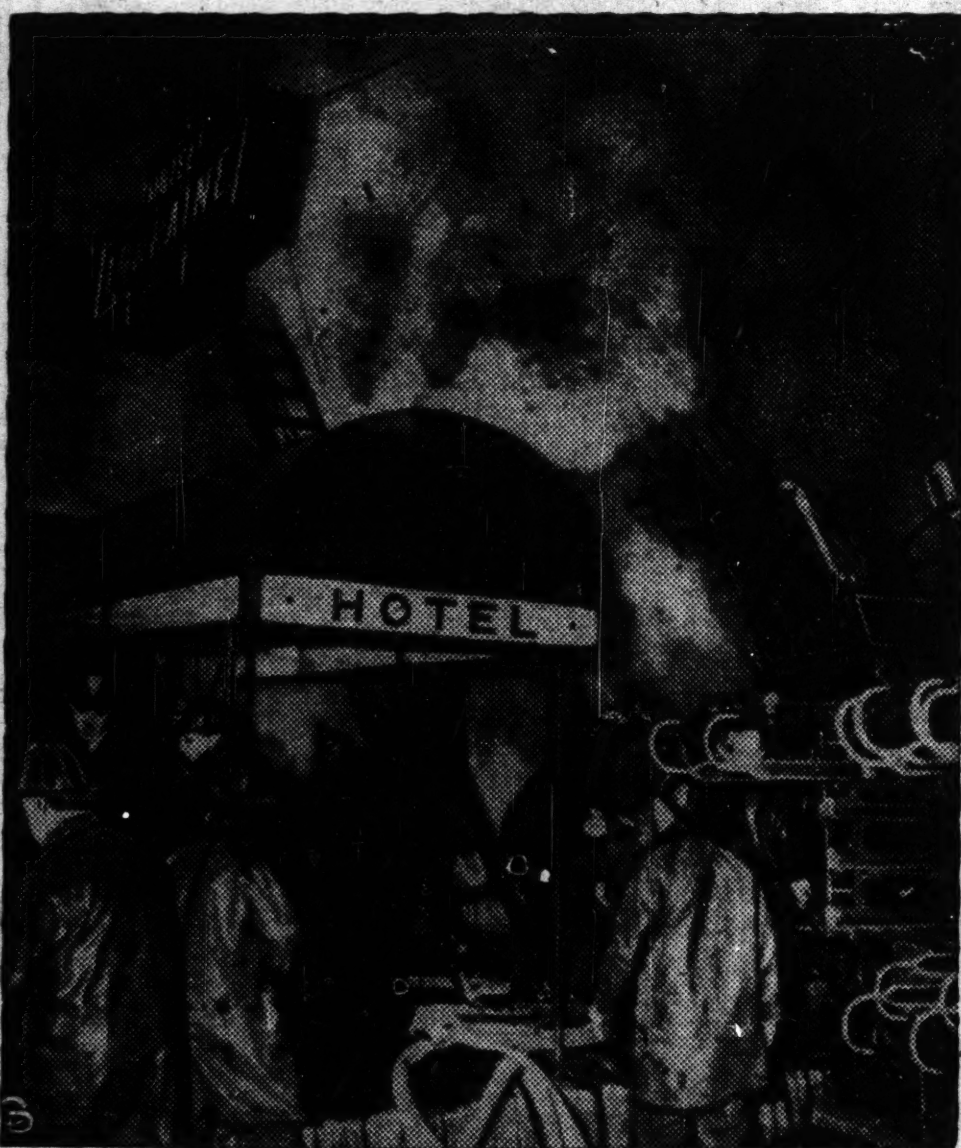
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5 FIREFIGHTERS OVERCOME



THREE HUNDRED GUESTS FLED into sub-freezing weather when fire swept the Lorraine Hotel in downtown Chicago. Four firemen and a battalion chief were overcome by the dense smoke which poured from the basement where the fire started.

Rescue 12 Airmen From Icecap in 100-Mile Gale

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BRONX AT 87% OF SUB GOAL

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House Demos Decide to Retain Un-Americans

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The House Democratic leadership has definitely decided to retain the House Un-American Committee as a standing committee in the 81st Congress, the Daily Worker learned authoritatively today. This decision will be ratified when the House Democrats hold their caucus at 2 o'clock Saturday.

This decision has made meaningless President Truman's cryptic remark at a press conference several weeks ago that the House Un-American group was a dead committee.

It has been accepted, however, by a group of House Democrats, who previously had announced their intention to fight for elimination of the committee.

Chet Holifield (D-Cal), Herman P. Eberharter (D-Pa) and Emanuel Celler (D-NY) met today in Holifield's office to work out proposals for revising the procedure of the committee to make it more respectable.

Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY) said that if the committee is retained, the responsibility will lie with the Democratic Party.

In response to a query from the Daily Worker, Marcantonio explained the procedure by which the committee could be abolished.

When the House convenes Monday at noon, following the prayer, the body will elect the Speaker, who will administer the oath to members.

Democratic members already designated by the

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MARCANTONIO

Ask Congress To Abolish Un-Americans

A group of distinguished writers, clergymen, actors and other notables called upon the 81st Congress to abolish the Un-American Committee. The request was made in a

Notables Back Freedom March To Washington

The New York State Civil Rights Congress yesterday made public a list of prominent citizens endorsing the national civil rights legislative conference and the People's Freedom Crusade, to be held Jan. 17-18 in Washington.

The list of civic, religious and trade union leaders included:

Rabbi Jonah Kaplan, Astoria; Rabbi Sidney M. Bogner, Sunnyside Jewish Center; Arthur Schut-zer, executive secretary, New York State American Labor Party; Rev. N. C. Davis, Harlem; Prof. Robert S. Lynd of Columbia University; Charles Collins, vice-president Local 6, Hotel Employees Union, AFL; Aaron Schneider, regional director United Offices and Professional Workers, CIO; Michael Garrazone, secretary treasurer, New York District, United Public Workers, CIO; Nina Evans, Domestic Workers Union, and Jeanette Turner.

Teachers Union Scores School Chief's Attack

The CIO Teachers Union yesterday scored statements by William Jansen, superintendent of schools, implying that it was union charges rather than his political inquisition which "sow fear and hysteria" among teachers. The union reported that it has been receiving an increasing number of messages, expressing "outrage at the events which led to Mrs. Minnie Gutride's death."

Mrs. M. Gutride, a teacher of 1-A pupils, committed suicide after being suddenly grilled by representatives of Jansen's office.

In a statement issued yesterday, the union declared:

"If Dr. Jansen really means what he says about not being 'stampeded' by fantastic charges and irresponsible statements against faithful and competent teachers, let him resist the goading of the Journal-American and judge teachers as they should be judged—by their professional conduct and performance. Specifically, we ask where in the records of either Mrs. Minnie Gutride, teacher for 17 years, or union president Abraham Lederman with 22 years of service, including three years in the Army, can Dr. Jansen find any evidence that they were lacking in devotion to the welfare of our children or the interests of the educational system."

Lederman was also grilled by Jansen.

"The Teachers Union cannot reconcile the contradictory statements attributed to superintendent of schools William Jansen in the press today, which contain on the one hand a denial of any witchhunting intentions and on the other, a determination to proceed with an investigation of teachers against whom hostile dossiers may have been submitted to him."

statement released yesterday by the National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

Signers of the statement included Dr. Algernon D. Black, Michael Blankfort, Rev. W. Russell Bowie, Edward Chodorov, Jerome Chodorov, Henry Churchill, Jo Davidson, Albert Deutsch, Olin Downes, Guy Fene DuBois, W. E. B. DuBois, Prof. Thomas I. Emerson, Jose Ferrer, John Garfield, Wolcott Gibbs, Shirley Graham, Walter Gropius, Jay Gorney, Lillian Hellman, Ira Hirschmann, Dean Joseph Hudnut, Michael Kidd, Garson Kanin, William Katzell, Burt Lancaster, John Lardner, Norman Mailer, Arthur Miller, John Martin, Frederic G. Melcher, Prof. Philip Morrison, Harold Rome, Lee Robinson, Prof. Bernhard J. Stern, John Sloan, Lee Simonson, Budd Schulberg, Herman Shumlin, Dr. Harlow Shapley, Dr. Bela Schick, Oscar Serlin, Louis Untermeyer, Mark Van Doren, Max Weber, Sam Wanamaker, Margaret Webster, Helen Tamiris, Cecilia Agar, Richard Fantertach, Richard Watts, Jr. and others.

The text of the statement follows:

"This committee has been denounced by the President, by members of the Congress and by American leaders throughout the country. In its hearings it has failed to observe the most basic concept of Anglo-Saxon law. It has consistently used headline scare tactics to intimidate and to induce an atmosphere of fear and repression which is repugnant to our most precious American traditions. Its entire history has been one of flagrant violation of common decency and human liberty and has been an affront to one of the greatest institutions in our democracy—the American Congress.

"The 81st Congress can and must abolish the Committee on Un-American Activities. We urge immediate action toward this end."

Dr. Shapley, chairman of the National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, announced also that a series of large meetings, asking for abolition of the Un-American Activities Committee would be held during January in key states. The first is to be held in New York City at the Hotel Commodore on Sunday evening, Jan. 9. Speakers will include Burt Lancaster, movie star and, Lester Cole, one of the Hollywood "10" who recently won a court fight for reinstatement on his job with MGM; (Continued on Page 11)

ASK FUNDS TO AID DP ORPHANS IN ISRAEL



Esther Dubno, daughter of the late commander of the defense of Negba, was wounded in the attack on the Children's Village of Mishmar Haemek. She points out some of the features of a model Children's Village while Zvi Gezari, engineer, who designed the Village, explains some of its details. They are shown at a Chanukah festival held at the Biltmore last Sunday, sponsored by Progressive Israel Projects, 115 Nassau St. Looking on is Irma L. Lindheim, chairman of the organization. It is seeking to raise funds for the building of similar villages in the settlement of Hashomer Hatzair in Israel for thousands of DP orphans.

Link Spellman To Royalist Plot in Hungary

BUDAPEST, Dec. 28 (UP).—The Hungarian government announced today that Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, Catholic primate of Hungary, has confessed he plotted to overthrow the Communist regime and restore the Hapsburg monarchy in Hungary.

A Ministry of Interior communique said the primate, who was arrested yesterday on treason and espionage charges, admitted he planned restoration of the Hapsburg monarchy in conversations with Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York and Otto of Hapsburg during a visit to the United States last year.

Cardinal Mindszenty admitted, the communique said, that he "conducted a one-hour confidential negotiation with Otto in a monastery near Chicago" on June 21, 1947, at which "he told Otto about the Hungarian royalist movement under his leadership."

The Cardinal further confessed, the communique said, that at this secret meeting he and Otto agreed that after expected third World War the U. S. would support a federated central European kingdom.

"Therefore," the communique said, "they agreed that Hungarian

royalist forces should be gathered and the organization extended."

ROYALIST DRIVE

After the meeting with Otto, who is pretender to the throne of the Hapsburgs, Cardinal Mindszenty talked with Cardinal Spellman in New York, the communique said.

He told Cardinal Spellman, the communique continues, that he had accepted the task of organizing royalist forces.

"After that," the communique said, "on the Cardinal's requests, in a declaration in his own handwriting, Mindszenty stated: 'I declared that Otto Hapsburg is authorized with full right to represent Hungarian Catholics abroad, and especially in the U. S.'"

The 1600-word communique said Cardinal Mindszenty "confessed" sending secret reports regarding Hungarian internal affairs to envoys of Western Powers.

The arrest of Prince Paul Esterhazy, who before the war was one

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Britain Asks UN Order Israelis Back In Negev

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Britain urged the Security Council today to order a cease fire and withdrawal of the Israelis and Egyptians in the Negev to the Nov. 4 truce lines. This would force the Israelis to give up land obtained during the October battle.

The council will vote tomorrow afternoon on the resolution which would provide possible sanctions and even armed United Nations intervention in event of non-compliance.

Britain's Harold Beeley offered the resolution.

The resolution also would order the Council's special Palestine committee to report on compliance Jan. 6 at Lake Success. This group is empowered to study sanctions and even armed action under "breach of the peace" chapter seven of the UN charter.

BACKS CEASE FIRE

Russia announced she would vote for the cease fire.

"The Soviet Union favors stopping hostilities anywhere in the world when they start and will always vote for that," Jacob Malik said. He criticized the British for opposing troop withdrawals in Indonesia, but wanting them in Palestine.

Beeley denied that Britain had delivered arms to the Arabs.

Israel's Maurice Fischer charged that Egypt's failure to live up to all parts of the Council's Nov. 18 armistice order instigated "the present situation."

TEL AVIV, Israel, Dec. 28.—The Egyptian War Ministry claimed tonight that Egyptian planes and troops killed 500 Israeli soldiers in repulsing an attack on Faluja in the Negev desert area of south Palestine.

Both sides said fighting was fierce throughout the Negev as tanks, armored cars and infantrymen battled in rain and mud.

Lt. Col. Moshe Periman, Israeli military spokesman, said that Jewish troops made "certain gains" in the southern Negev, but he did not elaborate.

He charged bitterly that the British were continuing to supply Egypt with war equipment despite the United Nations-ordered embargo.

Periman said the Egyptians threw six new Italian Fiat fighter planes into the battle for Faluja.

REUTHER AID COOL TO DUBINSKY T-H PLAN

By William Allan

DETROIT, Dec. 28.—A spokesman for Walter Reuther, head of the CIO United Auto Workers, today said that "Reuther and the UAW favor repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act and immediate reenactment of the Wagner Act, which obviously makes our position different from that of David Dubinsky and his substitute legislation for the Taft-Hartley Law."

Ed Look and Virgil Lacy, progressive leaders of Ford Local 600, UAW, said, "It looks like Dubinsky is seeking to keep Taft-Hartley, and talks of substitutes as a cover up. The Taft-Hartley Law should be thrown out and replaced with the Wagner Act. The workers don't want substitutes, especially from Dubinsky."

Frank Chrysler, UAW leader, said, "It looks like Taft has found someone to bail out the Taft-Hartley Act, and the so-called honor has fallen on the right shoulders, namely Dubinsky."

"It is well to remember that it was Dubinsky

who broke labor's ranks and rushed to sign the anti-labor anti-Communist affidavits.

"We have had enough of Taft and Hartley, and enough of Dubinsky. The Wagner Act is the answer."

"Dubinsky's gimmicks" to forestall repeal of the Taft-Hartley law were denounced yesterday by Anna Blum, vice-president of the Gimbel Workers Local 2, independent. She declared:

"Dubinsky's statement shows how able a spokesman he is for the NAM. His proposals would take away the unions' right to protect their rights and to strike for the needs of their members."

The president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union "has revealed," she continued, "how false is his concern for trade union democracy and also what contempt he has for all workers. American labor voted for outright repeal of Taft-Hartley and for return of the Wagner Act with no phony backdoor Taft-Hartley-Dubinsky gimmicks."

U.S. Signs Pact to Refit Ruhr Arsenal

BRONX REACHES 87% OF SUB GOAL

Bronx County Communist Party yesterday handed in 628 subs bringing its percentage total to 87 percent of completion. The county had a quota of 4,000 subs, and to date had collected 3,494.

At a meeting with Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, national board member, last Thursday, the Bronx Communists pledged to complete their quota by New Year's Day.

Murray Geisler, county press director, said the sub achievement was only the beginning of the county's efforts to squash the indictments against the 12 top leaders. (See score board on Page 4.)

Chiang Troops in North China Cut Off from Sea

NANKING, Dec. 28.—Troops of the Chinese People's Army over-ran the Tangku harbor area in force today, cutting off North China Kuomintang troops from the sea and

Egypt Premier Assassinated

CAIRO, Dec. 28 (UP).—Premier Mahmoud Fahmy Nokrashy Pasha was assassinated today by a student member of the Moslem Brotherhood, which Nokrashy had outlawed three weeks ago.

Nokrashy was shot five times as he entered the Ministry of Interior. The assassin, disguised as a first lieutenant of police, tried to shoot himself but was arrested. He was identified as Abdel Meguid Ahmed Hassan, a veterinary college student.

King Farouk named Ibrahim Abdel Hadi Pasha, chief of his inner royal cabinet, as the new premier.

U. S. Division to Leave S. Korea

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (UP).—The Army announced today it is pulling the 7th Infantry Division out of South Korea in accord with the Russo-American agreement to withdraw their troops from all of Korea "as early as practicable."

No date for the withdrawal was given but the Army said the division will move to Japan and relieve the 11th Airborne Division which will come to the United States.

Departure of the 7th will leave one division—the 6th—in addition to some service troops, in Korea.

To Build New Atom-Engine Plant

CHICAGO, Dec. 28 (UP).—The Atomic Energy Commission announced tonight that a contract has been arranged with the Westinghouse Electric Corp. to build an experimental atomic engine to propel warships.

Gen. Chen Chang-Chih, Tientsin garrison commander, declared that 40,000 mines have been laid around the city. He also promised American, British and Chinese industrialists that his troops would not "in any event" carry out a scorched earth policy.

Gen. Fu Tso-yi's headquarters at Peiping, 87 miles northwest of Tientsin, reported earlier today that Tangku itself still was in Kuomintang hands but that the situation was "serious."

A Kuomintang communique said naval reinforcements have been rushed to the harbor and that 30,000 to 40,000 of Chiang Kai-shek's troops were barricaded in factories, government buildings and the railroad station at Tangku. These were the buildings which served as U. S. Marine billets in 1945-46.

Observers here doubted the effectiveness of naval gunfire in Tangku harbor, since a natural sand bar keeps larger warships some 15 miles from shore and smaller ships would be hampered by ice.

There are no large villages and only a few stone buildings and pillboxes on the flatlands between Tangku and Tientsin.

Fighting north and northeast of Nanking was at a standstill as cold winds, sleet and snow whipped along the Yangtze and Huai rivers.

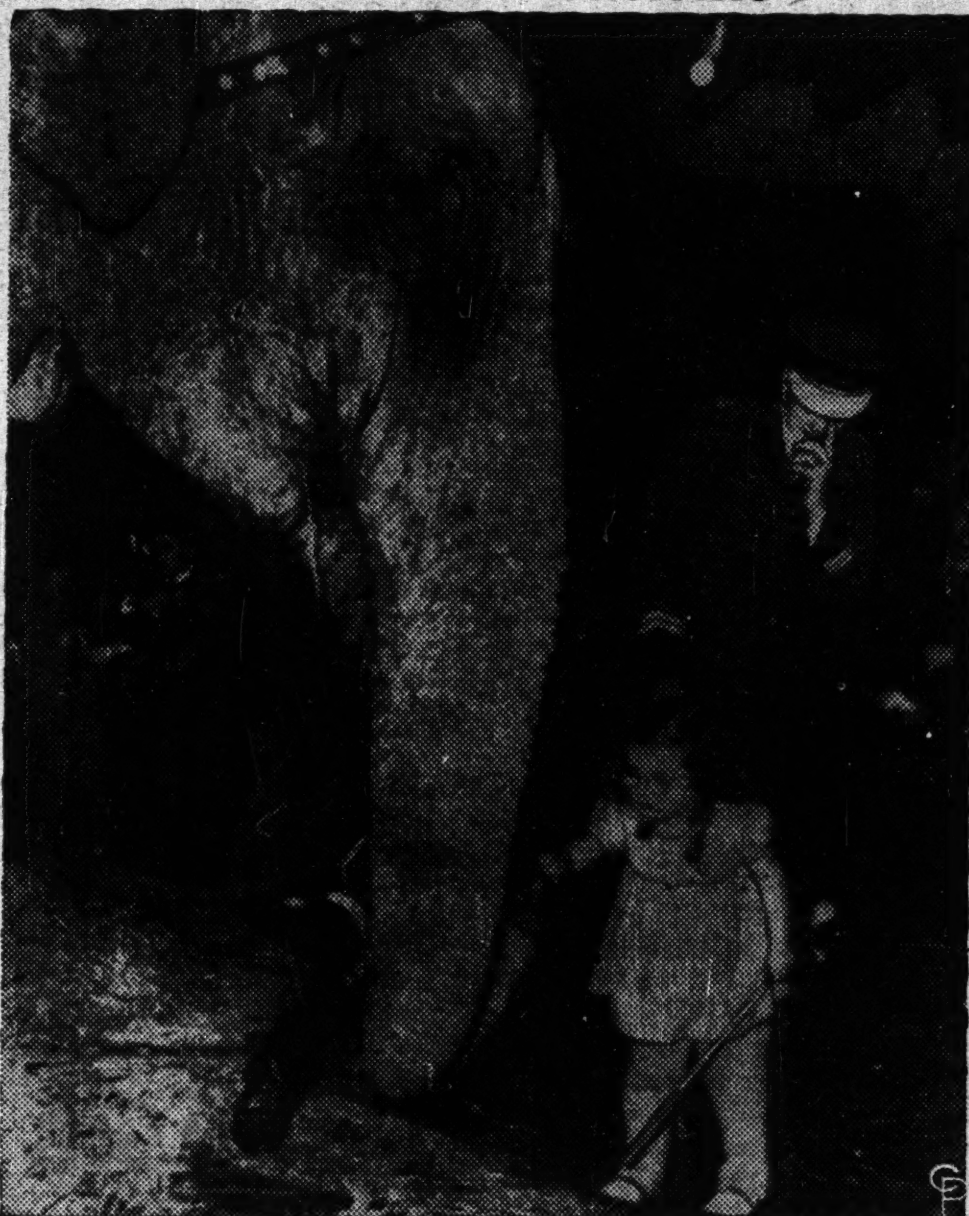
A People's Army broadcast today stated:

"Except for a small number of top-ranking war criminals and anti-revolutionary elements guilty of major crimes, there will be no prosecution of officials of national, provincial, municipal and township governments, or of police or ward officials, insofar as they do not offer armed resistance."

Set Up Military Body in Costa Rica Fight

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (UP).—Representatives of the United States and four Latin American nations today were named to a special military commission to see that Costa Rica and Nicaragua stay at peace.

ONE OF HER FIRST SIGHTS



Kathleen Schultz, 3, of Milwaukee, is shown seeing an elephant for the first time. She was blind until recently when surgeons removed cataracts which had rendered her sightless since birth.

UN Orders Dutch to Free Indies Leaders

PARIS, Dec. 28 (UP).—The United Nations Security Council today asked the Dutch to release imprisoned Indonesian leaders "forthwith," and to report within 24 hours that they had done so.

Report Guerillas Attack Dutch

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 28 (UP).—The Indonesian war spread today from Java and Sumatra to Dutch-held south Borneo, a big island 35 miles to the north, the Dutch Army announced.

A headquarters communique said Indonesian guerrillas had landed on Borneo. Several of the landing party were reported killed or wounded and 35 were captured, but an unspecified number escaped and are being pursued by Dutch forces, the communique added.

A 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew was imposed on the Hulu Sungai area of southeast Borneo, where the fighting took place.

The United States, together with its five satellite Western Bloc powers, yesterday announced plans for rebuilding the war industries of the Ruhr Valley, industrial heart of Hitler's war machine. The announcement of the far-reaching project to restore Germany's military potential knocked the last prop from under the Potsdam

structure whereby the U.S., Britain and France, all signers of the Potsdam accord, agreed to demilitarization of Germany jointly with the Soviet Union. Joining these three

powers in the pact were the Benelux nations—Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxemburg.

This final step in undoing the

Potsdam Agreement came one day after President Truman charged the Soviet Union with having violated this agreement, whose three main points were:

- Demilitarization, decartelization and denazification of Germany;
- Reparations to the victims of German aggression.

- Four-power control of Germany and a four-power peace treaty.

The last two points had already been long discarded by the West.

Revelation of the terms of the agreement left no doubt that the U.S. was calling the tune and whipping the reluctant satellites into line despite their fears of renewed German aggression.

French objections to the plan, under the stimulus of wholesale opposition in France, were brusquely thrust aside, although a special communique was issued, which the United Press declared "admittedly was designed to make it easier for the French Government to 'sell' the plan to the French public, which twice in a generation has suffered under German attack."

Ostensibly the Ruhr was placed under control of a six-power authority, but actually the Ruhr industries have been returned to the control of their prewar cartel owners, who held high positions in the Nazi regime. Discussion of international ownership was tabled for future reference.

USSE EXCLUDED

The Soviet Union, whose armies bore the brunt of the war to defeat Hitler, was excluded from the authority.

Under the plan the Ruhr's vast industries, heavily damaged by air and land warfare, will be swiftly rebuilt and harnessed to the U.S.-dominated Marshall Plan. French demands for international ownership of the industries were brushed aside, and instead the communique "pledged" the six powers to "guarantee" that the rebuilt war industries would not be used for war.

While the six powers have been drafting the statute all Autumn, the final talks which led to yesterday's announcement began, ironically enough, on Nov. 11, the 30th anniversary of the end of World War I. Spokesmen said it was hoped that the authority would begin functioning in the Spring of 1949, following ratification of the pact by French and other European parliaments.

No ratification is required by the U. S. Senate, Washington authorities said, since the pact was being considered as an occupation agreement rather than a treaty.

The Ruhr authority will be composed of representatives of the U.S., Britain, France and Germany, each with three votes, and the Benelux nations, each with one vote. Western occupation officials will vote for Germany, pending establishment of a German government.

While the rebuilding program was sugar-coated with a 10-point explanation as to how it was to be kept demilitarized, the one fact that could not be explained was that if the war industries were not rebuilt there would be no danger of their militarization. Under the Versailles Treaty after World War I the western capitalist powers also "pledged" to keep Germany disarmed.

Yesterday's announcement, which

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New Soviet Music Wins Praise

MOSCOW, Dec. 28.—New works by Soviet musicians, following recent criticism, were praised here in an article by music critic Tikhon Khrennikov in the paper *Izvestia*.

The critic said that new music written by Dmitri Shostakovich for the film "Young Guard" showed that the famous composer had benefited by the recent discussion

over formalism in the arts. (Soviet critics have attacked as "formalistic" music which lacks melody and which fails to express the feelings of the Soviet people.)

Khrennikov also pointed out that the majority of composers criticized recently had "embarked on a realistic path." The recent opera of Prokofiev, however, called "Tale of a Real Man" was criticized for con-

tinuing the defects recently criticized.

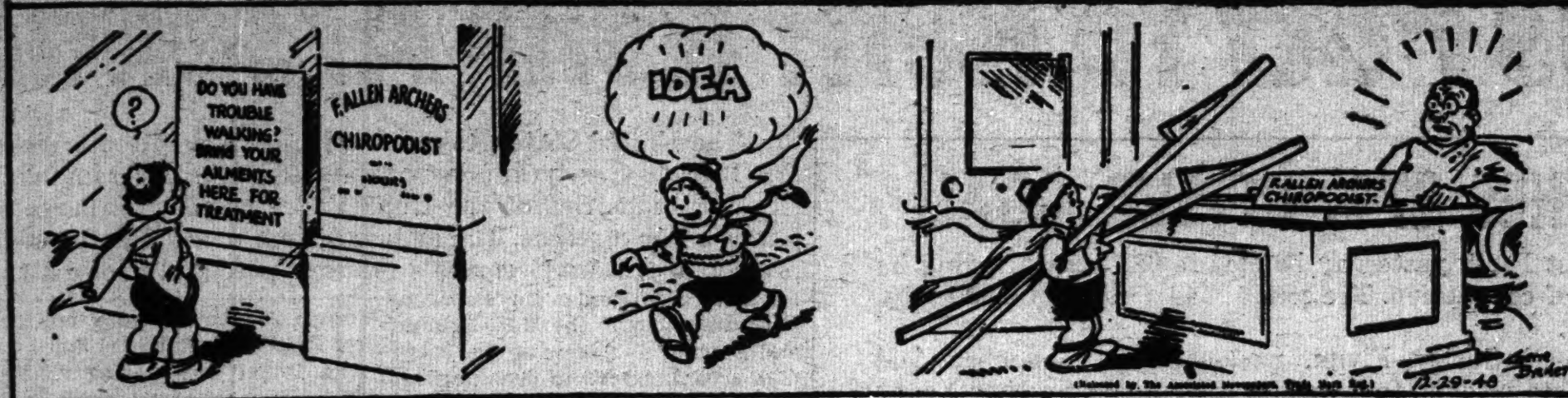
Khrennikov also noted that the Soviet public hopes that Shostakovich will produce new works of greater scope than his film music. He said "the Soviet public expects from him new works permeated with a realistic spirit and embodying the most vital features of our real life."

Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

TRUMAN'S tale about the Soviet Union breaking pacts and about splits in the Soviet government, was made appropriately enough at a luncheon for his haberdasher partner—for the President was talking off the cuff—and through his hat.

REG'LAR FELLERS—For Easier Going



By Gene Byrnes

Jersey Bartenders Set to Strike

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 28 (UP)—New Year's eve celebrants in Jersey City and Bayonne may have to end their festivities when the New Year is only one minute old. Bartenders in 600 taverns and cafes in the two cities have threatened to walk out at 12:01 Jan. 1, unless their employers sign new contracts. Current contracts expire at midnight Dec. 31.

NMU Chiefs 'Vote' Stack Expulsion, Gag Protest

Rightwing officers of the National Maritime Union rammed through the expulsion of former vice-president Joseph Stack and two others at a Manhattan Center membership meeting late Monday night. The official count of 1,172 to 667 for Stack's expulsion was howled down by the membership when it was announced. But the chairman of the meeting, NMU vice-president Adrian Duffy, ignored the demand by Stack and a large number of those present for a recount. Persons present at the meeting said the vote was actually about 1,000 to 500 against the expulsion, even though official tallies failed to count those in the jammed upper balconies.

60 Families Win Eviction Fight

Tenants at 426, 428, 430 and 432 W. 52 St. looked forward to a Happy New Year with the knowledge that the eviction threat which faced them for more than seven months is over. The court has vacated the certificates of eviction granted the St. Clare Hospital, owner of the properties. The eviction cases involved five families but if the court had okayed them, it was expected that the hospital would proceed quickly against the 55 other families living in the slum tenements. The hospital had once promised to drop the evictions but then reneged on its promise and proceeded with the five evictions. Tenants were represented by the law firm of Tanx and Jaffe. They were assisted in a community fight by the Communist Party, the American Labor Party, tenant and consumer groups.

7 Norse Unionists Due Here on ERP Jaunt

Seven Norwegian labor officials are due to arrive in New York by plane today (Wednesday) on a Marshall Plan-financed jaunt to study American production methods. The trip was arranged by the Economic Cooperation Administration.

For Your NEW YEAR'S PARTY WINES LIQUORS



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Stack, a charter member of the seamen's union and a leader in the militant leftwing opposition to the rightwing machine of president Joseph Curran, received a great ovation from the meeting when he mounted the platform and when he concluded.

Duffy, the chairman, leader of Curran goon squads in the union before the rightwingers took over, is one of five NMU officials due to appear in Magistrate's Court today to answer charges of assault made by seaman James McGuire.

Expelled with Stack were two stewardesses, Rose Shovell and Ann Conroy. They were charged with taking part in an "illegal" union meeting on Nov. 29, actually a meeting whose crime had been to elect an anti-Curran chairman and conducting a democratic session.

RULES IGNORED

Stack and the others were required to speak before those wishing to support the expulsion recommendation of what was rescribed as an illegally created trial committee. Parliamentary rules, ignored in this instance, entitle the accused to speak last.

NMU president Curran followed the purge victims with a 15-minute, red-baiting tirade, those present said, after which Duffy prevented any other discussion. The rightwingers had their usual quota of 30 to 50 cops and plainclothesmen on hand, it was said, as well as a mob of "sergeants at arms" to intimidate union members.

Stack, who termed the announced vote "highway robbery," was on the first purge blacklist made public by the Curran machine recently. The rightwingers have illegally ordered a large number of veteran NMU leaders barred from the union and their jobs.

Stack, with Leonard Lamb and Jack Smith, last week asked Supreme Court Judge Felix Benvenaga for a temporary injunction against the blacklisting. The court deferred action.

The seamen's leader was expelled from the union he helped found on frame-up charges including one that he engaged in "anti-union activities."

4 ON 'PROBATION'

Four seamen were also placed on "probation" for one year and fined \$100 at Monday night's meeting for distributing what was rescribed in the charges as "slandering literature." These were Norman Gardner, James Tatten, Charles Parker and Roy Rydell.

Rydell, it was reported, got a huge hand from the seamen when he said that the rightwing union officers, whose favorite description of opponents to their company union policies is "hacks," were the hacks themselves.

DODGER STARS AT DAVIS CHRISTMAS PARTY



Brooklyn Dodger star Roy Campanella talks to the kids at a Christmas Party given by Councilman Benjamin J. Davis. Among those on the platform are James E. Cook, Boys Work Secretary of the Harlem YMCA; Davis; and Jackie Robinson, Dodger star who is chatting with a neighbor. Both Campanella and Robinson are teaching and supervising sports at the Y. —Daily Worker Photo by Peter

Correction

A story in the Dec. 28 Daily Worker said Pettis Perry had been named chairman of the National Negro Commission of the Communist Party. Perry was named secretary of the Commission. Benjamin J. Davis is the chairman of the Commission.

Negro Vet Gets Runaround at Housing Body

A Negro veteran and his pregnant wife will appear at the Emergency Vacancy Listing Bureau, 2 Frankfurt St., to plead a third time for a place in which to live. Mrs. Matty Cameron, who expects a baby momentarily, and her husband, Clifton, face eviction from their "hallway" room at 73 W. 99 St. The "hallway" room is part of a five-room apartment in which 11 persons, including three children, live. The owner of the apartment is pressing the Camerons to leave before the baby arrives.

The Negro couple has already applied at private agencies, the Veterans Administration and public projects but has been directed to the Emergency Vacancy Listing Bureau. Despite the Bureau's promises to aid families facing immediate eviction, the Negro couple has been given a run-around.

The Park West Tenant League, which is assisting the Camerons, charges that Negro couples are being discriminated against.

It cited the case of another Negro family which was told by the Bureau that it could not be aided since there wasn't a veteran in the family. But in the Camerons' case, the Negro veteran was told "You'll have to wait."

Charge Reprisal Firing Of 13 by Unicorn Press

The Book and Magazine Guild, United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO, yesterday charged that the management of Unicorn Press has dismissed 15 editorial

employees in reprisal for the union's initiation of arbitration proceedings arising out of the dismissal, on Dec. 9, of the shop steward.

The employees dismissed have engaged in the revision of the Funk & Wagnall's New Standard Encyclopedia. The American Family Encyclopedia now being distributed as a premium by the New York Star, although not produced by the employees involved in this dispute, bears the imprint of Unicorn Press.

Books of the Mystery Book Club are also published by Unicorn Press. The shop steward was dismissed on Dec. 9 after a statement by the business manager that he "disliked her." After arbitration proceedings were initiated by the union, Unicorn Press announced that no Christmas bonuses would be granted and no merit increases would be given "at this time."

VOTE BIGGER CITY AID TO VOLUNTARY TB WARDS

The Board of Estimate yesterday voted a \$160,000 increase in appropriations for tubercular facilities in voluntary hospitals, and raised per diem payments by the City to such institutions from \$5 to \$7.50 a day.

The board also voted a minimum increase of 300 beds for voluntary TB hospitals, which total service, less the \$273,750 reimbursement from the state at \$2.50 a day, will cost the city next year an additional \$501,775.

Even this inadequate appropriation came only after many exposes of the shocking conditions in TB hospital facilities, such as the recent articles by Daily Worker reporter Abner W. Berry on the Har-

lem Hospital. Other articles in the Daily Worker and other papers exposed conditions in the Bellevue TB wards.

At the same time it was announced that Mayor O'Dwyer had accepted the resignation of Commissioner of Hospitals Edward M. Bernecker, who will begin work Feb. 1 at his new post as administrator of hospitals services for the New York University - Bellevue Medical Center.

The Board of Estimate also voted an additional \$60,000 to the temporary City Housing Rent Commission. Of this, \$41,250 will be used to employ a supplementary force of 62 employees at salaries of \$2,110 to \$7,500 yearly, and \$18,750 will go for new legal hearing experts.

Recent disclosures of the commission's hotel rent increases and the increase in eviction and rent boost cases forced the board's action. The money will be raised through budget notes.

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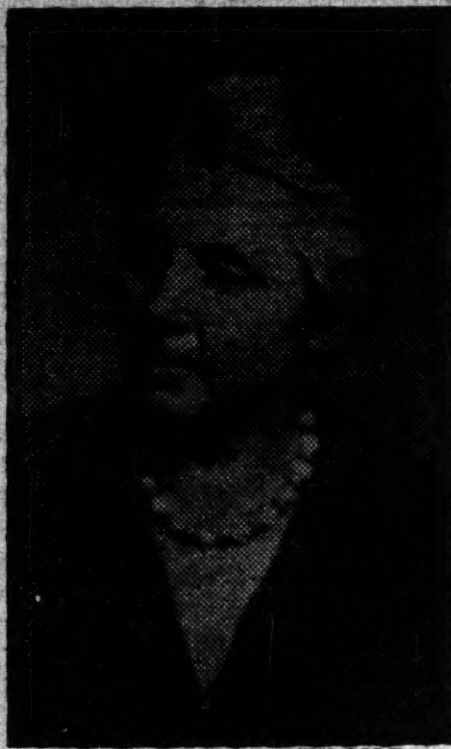
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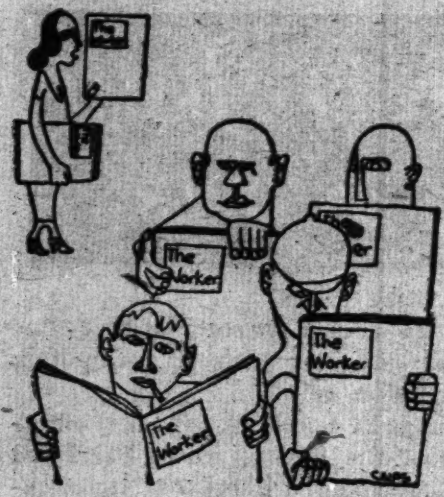
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Fogles said that the same night of the shooting a detective asked him "to forget it and go light on him," referring to Reilly.

Fogles said that Reilly was "staggering drunk" when, while he was off duty at 3 St. and Avenue B, he accosted Fogles about 10 p. m., pushed him against a wall and shot him. Reilly fled, but Fogles, with the aid of passersby, caught the cop, and held him until other police arrived.

COP SUSPENDED

Reilly, who lives at 319 W. 25th St., was suspended after being arraigned in Felony Court before Judge Samuel Orr. He was paroled in the custody of Capt. Theodore Raphael of the 11th Precinct.

The veteran was visited yesterday by his uncle, Rev. John W. Brown, who is pastor of the Naomi A. M. E. Zion church in Coney Island, and is also an American Labor Party leader in the 4th A. D. South. With the uncle were Dr. S. Schwimmer, 526 E. Fifth St.; Joe Seiteman, chairman of the 6th A. D. South ALP club; Sol Tischler, and Laura Feldman, of the Tompkins Square Communist Party.

Earlier in the day the wounded man received a visit from Charles Levy, executive Secretary of the New York Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

RECENT ATTACKS

Fogles was shot in the same community which was the scene recently of several beatings and stabbings of Puerto Ricans. These attacks were at first ignored but Lower East Side police were forced to act after public protest lead by the ALP and other community groups.

The shooting of Fogles was uncovered by Communist canvassers, who visited his fiancée, Rosalie Simms, 215 E. 3 St.

Selterman said yesterday that a delegation would visit Police Commissioner Wallander today to urge the fullest prosecution of Reilly.

"We're not going to rest until these hoodlums and police attacks on minority group citizens are stopped," the ALP leader declared.

Tomorrow night (Thursday) a mass meeting at Hennington Hall, 214 E. 2 St. will hear community leaders discuss further mass action.

David Platt's column of film comment appears daily.

COLD WEATHER TEST



COVERED WITH ICE, the U.S. Air Force's first operational jet bomber undergoes a test at 65 degrees below zero in the climatic hangar at Elgin Field, Valparaiso, Fla.

Some Relief Won on Queens Sewage Plight

Temporary and incomplete relief from backing up sewage was won by a delegation of St. Albans, Queens, Negro citizens who visited Commissioner of Borough Works

Maurice A. Fitzgerald. The health menace is still endangering nearly 40 families along Merrick Blvd. between 127th and 129th Avenue.

On the delegation were Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Spencer, 1776-15 129 Avenue; Mrs. Alberta Riddick, 127-07 176 St.; Mrs. Genevieve Smoke, 127-17 1776 St.; and Vivian Rosenberg, of the Jamaica Communist Party.

Fitzgerald told the citizens the Board of Health was at fault for not declaring the conditions to be a "menace to public health." Fitzgerald displayed correspondence with the Health Department in which he made such requests. The Health Department maintains that since the affected homes are privately owned, and the sewerage systems was privately constructed it has no jurisdiction.

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dispatched an emergency squad to Mrs. Smoke's home, where the basement had been under three feet of water until yesterday, when the cold burst a pipe and the waste matter and water rose into her kitchen. The emergency squad pumped most of the waste away. The family, in which there are two children, was still without heat.

The delegation declared yesterday that legal steps would be taken to force relief from the city.

A community meeting will discuss the situation tomorrow night, (Thursday) at the Springfield Community Church, 177 St. and 129th Ave.

Ask Mediation At Federation Job Agency

The New York State Board of Mediation has been requested to intervene in a wage and hours dispute at the Federation Employment Service, it was announced yesterday by the Social Service Employees' Union, UOPWA-CIO, Local 19.

The union's wire to the state board pointed out that the employer refuses to grant its 44 employees salaries granted to similar affiliated agencies, and that the employer seeks to raise working hours. The staff, it was stated, has decided to strike Jan. 4, but sought mediation in order to avoid disruption in the agencies activities.

Mourn Israeli CP Leader

TEL AVIV, Dec. 28.—Israeli citizens here were stunned to learn of the death of Elijah Goujansky, leading Communist, in a plane crash last Thursday in the Greek mountains. Goujansky, 35 years old, was on his way home from Prague, where he was on a special mission in behalf of the Israeli Communist Party. He is survived by his widow and child.

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Nine others escaped by jumping through windows into two-foot deep snow banks. It was not known how many were in the hotel at the time because owner Tom Campbell was believed to be one of the victims.

Gator Story

GRANBURY, Tex. (UP).—Four fishermen thought they were seeing things when one of them hooked a five-foot one-inch catch. And they were, too. It was an alligator.

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Two of the injured were policemen. Eighty-five-foot ladders were hoisted to the building for the removal of 20 elderly men. The fire was caused by an overturned oil burner. The sprinkling system was reported in disrepair.

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Injured persons, Charles Atrege, 57, was listed as serious at Bellevue Hospital. The fire began at 10:45 p.m. and spread rapidly. The alarm was turned in by a passerby. The building has entrances at 163 First Ave. and 243 E. 10 St.

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PARIS, Dec. 28 (Telepress).—A promise that the Americans and Spaniards will in the not too distant future jointly use Britain's Mediterranean fortress of Gibraltar, given earlier this year to Franco by American military representatives on condition that Spain agrees to U.S. military control over Spanish Morocco, has been reaffirmed by the U. S. naval attache in Madrid, Telepress learns.

The attache, who supervises the building of American bases on Spanish territory, gave this assurance after he received from the Spanish government a report on military installations in Spanish Morocco. The report, containing detailed information on the number and kind of troops, barracks, ports, airfields and other military installations in Spanish Morocco, was compiled by the staff of Gen. Varela, Spanish military commander in Morocco.

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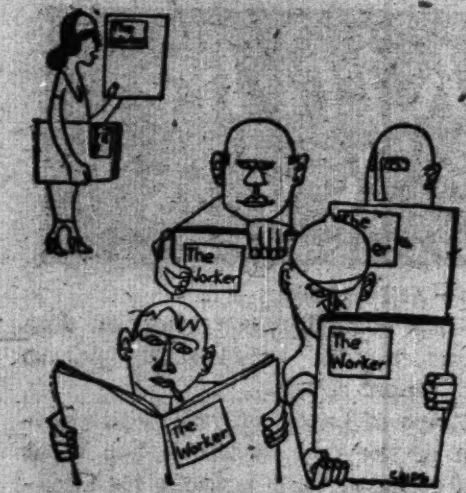
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SUSPICIOUS OF SUBJECT

Atty. Joseph McGarraghey, long time official of the D. C. Board of Trade and counsel for many of the business groups which enforce Jimcrow in Washington, was suspicious of the whole subject of civil rights laws but said he did not know what had happened to the acts of 1872 and 1875. He left the question to District government officials.

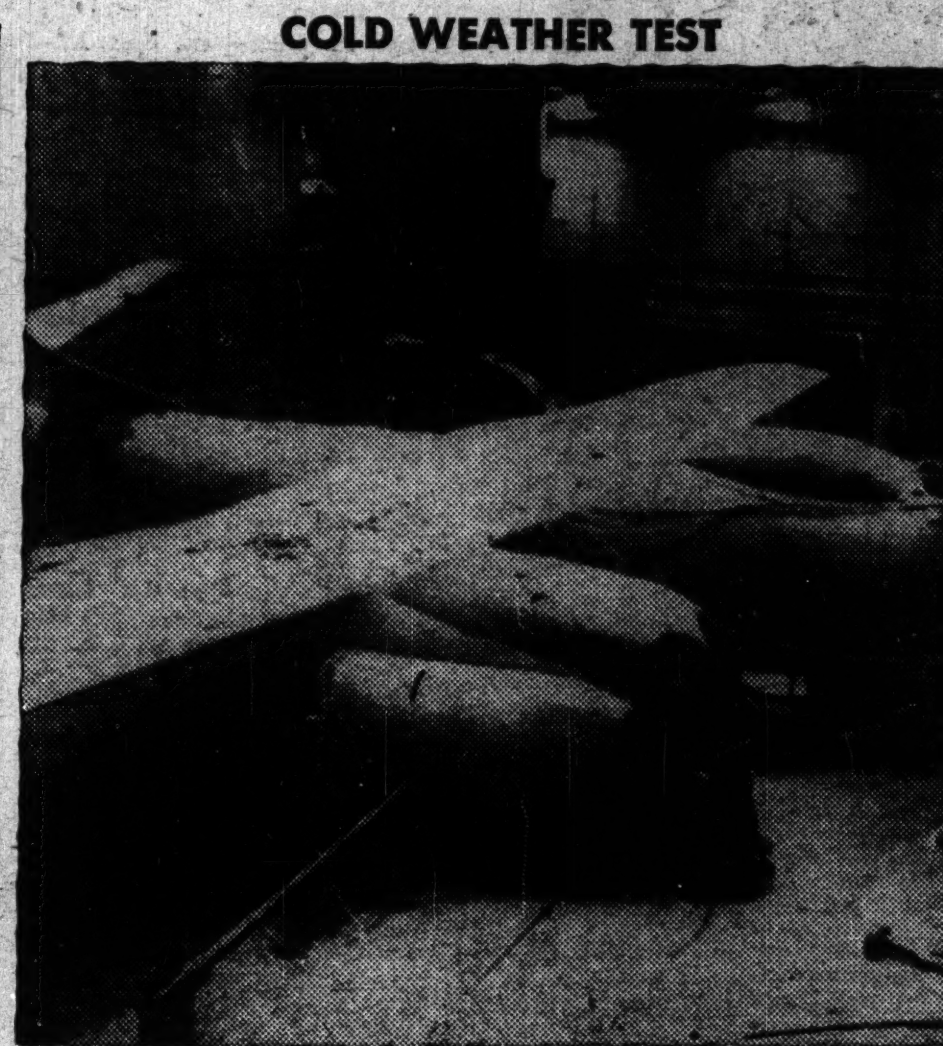
D. C. Corporation Counsel Vernon West told FP there was question as to the constitutionality of the act of 1875 but admitted that he knew of nothing which invalidated the act of 1872.

The act of 1872, West said, was passed by a legislation assembly when the District had a territorial form of government. "The act of 1872 just got left out when they recodified in 1901," West said.

Asked if a law which "just got left out" was still in effect or whether law could be repealed by omission, West said, "I haven't had time to figure that out yet."

A veteran leader of Negro affairs, Judge James A. Cobb, said that until 1913, the civil rights act of 1875 was in effect in Washington. He said that Jimcrow practices existed then as now but that it was possible for Negroes to get some satisfaction in the courts.

In 1913 in the Butts case, the U. S. Supreme Court delivered a sweeping opinion which appeared to throw out the act of 1875. Cobb in the current National Theatre case, is appealing from that ruling. The act of 1872, he said, has never been invalidated.



COVERED WITH ICE, the U. S. Air Force's first operational jet bomber undergoes a test at 65 degrees below zero in the climatic hangar at Eglin Field, Valparaiso, Fla.

Anti-Communist Held On Pen Poison Charge

DENVER, Dec. 28.—Charles McNeill, a self-confessed provocateur, has been arrested on charges of writing four "threatening and obscene" letters to federal officials here.

According to Russell P. Kramer, FBI chief, McNeill the 40-year-old avowed anti-Communist admitted writing three letters to U. S. District Judge J. Foster Symes and the fourth to Max Goldschein, deputy U. S. district attorney.

Al Goldberg, chairman of the Communist Party of Colorado said: "The labors of Deputy U. S. District Attorney, Judge Symes, the FBI, the Denver Post and the Rocky Mountain News to create an atmosphere of wild anti-Communist hysteria has now borne fruit. As in Germany under the Nazis, so here, this red-baiting creates fertile ground for the worst criminal elements to come forward and without fear of punishment commit criminal acts, not only against Communists, but anyone that is not now plugging for the most vicious form of fascism."

Judge Symes was the judge who sentenced three Communists to what amounted to a life sentence because they would not stoop to the Federal grand jury. The press hysteria was seen as encouraging the deeds of this degenerate.

McNeill told Kramer that, "I wrote the letters to make those people (the federal officials) so mad they'd really put those dirty commies behind the bars for a long, long time."

THREATEN OFFICIALS

The letters were sent during the height of the recent hysterical wave against the Communists here. The letters threatened Symes, Goldschein and their families with bodily harm, according to Kramer, who noted that they were so obscene as to prevent a single line from being printed in newspapers. McNeill is an elevator operator and janitor at Hotel Barth.

Goldberg's statement declared that "In New York this atmosphere made possible an attempt on the life of Bob Thompson, one of the indicted members of the national

Board of the Communist Party." Goldberg said that "a few weeks later, Thompson's home was invaded by an anti-labor spy and an attempt made to criminally assault his seven-year-old daughter."

"In Denver, obscene slogans have been written on the windows of the home of Tracy and Jane Rogers, two of the six sent to jail by Judge Symes."

"The blame for this vile criminal act rests not only with McNeill, but primarily with those that have created the atmosphere which makes it possible for the McNeills to come forward and commit these acts," Goldberg said. "Had not the Un-American Committee, the Truman administration, the Department of Justice and its agents such as Max Goldschein, the Republicans and all those now engaged in red-baiting created a fertile, anti-democratic, anti-Communist atmosphere, it would have been impossible for the McNeills to come into the light of day."

These actions prove that it is not the Communists, but the anti-Communists that advocate and commit acts of force and violence and violate everything that is considered American and decent, Goldberg declared.

"McNeill should be punished to the full extent of the law, but the conditions which make it possible for the McNeills to fulfill their dirty work must be eliminated," he said. "This is a task the people of America will perform."

FOOD TIP

When making a custard always place baking dish or custard cups in a pan of hot water. This helps to maintain an even temperature throughout the whole custard. If the water in the pan should boil, the temperature is too high and will cause curdling.

U. S. Promises Franco Use of Gibraltar

PARIS, Dec. 28 (Telepress).—A promise that the Americans and Spaniards will in the not too distant future jointly use Britain's Mediterranean fortress of Gibraltar, given earlier this year to Franco by American military representatives on condition that Spain agrees to U. S. military control over Spanish Morocco, has been reaffirmed by the U. S. naval attache in Madrid, Telepress learns.

The attache, who supervises the building of American bases on Spanish territory, gave this assurance after he received from the Spanish government a report on military installations in Spanish Morocco. The report, containing detailed information on the number and kind of troops, barracks, ports, airfields and other military installations in Spanish Morocco, was compiled by the staff of Gen. Varela, Spanish military commander in Morocco.

The original suggestion for American control of Spanish Morocco was made by Admiral Forrest Sherman, commander of the U. S. Mediterranean Fleet, during his visit to Madrid in February, 1948. Sherman told the Spanish government that Spanish Morocco required a belt of coastline fortresses and that the fortification of Morocco would serve the security interests of both countries.

Negotiations on this proposal were then started, and, while the Spaniards were sympathetic to the U. S. demand, they suggested that it went beyond the 1947 U. S.-Spanish agreement, under which the United States was granted the right to build or develop 13 air and naval bases on Spanish territory. One of them was at Ceuta in Spanish Morocco. The Spanish government suggested that the United States should not have other bases in Morocco "without offering suitable compensation."

During his second Madrid visit last spring, Admiral Sherman proposed that in exchange for U. S. military control over Spanish Morocco, the Spanish navy should have free use of the port of Gibraltar and some of its military installations when the base "is taken over by the United States." While the Spanish representatives pointed out that Gibraltar is an old British possession, they accepted Sherman's statement that this "may not be so for ever," and agreement in principle was reached.

Kitchen Kues

Cooking Aids

Crisp cooked bacon chopped fine makes a nice garnish for potato and onion soup.

Strips of bacon placed in the bottom of the pan in which the meat loaf is baked will prevent its sticking and add flavor as well.

When you have used the last drop of milk and realize you need a cream sauce for a meat, fish or vegetable, get out that can of cream of mushroom soup. It will serve nicely in a pinch.

For the Marshmallow Roast

When roasting marshmallows have handy a cube of butter so that the toasters can thrust their sticks or forks into it before putting the marshmallows on them. This will prevent their sticking and spilling the shape in getting them off.

The Bean Pot

Drop a teaspoon of soda in the bean pot after using and fill with boiling water. Let stand in the oven of the range or in a warm place for about 2 hours. This will clean it perfectly, making the sides and bottom of the pot smooth and clean once more.

Attention!

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JEFFERSON SCHOOL

U.S. Uses Berlin Spies, Social Democrat Bares

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—A few days ago citizen Karl Heinz Schmidl, member of the staff of the "Eastern Bureau" of the Social Democratic Party in Hanover, voluntarily presented himself to the Soviet Military Administration in Germany and made a statement exposing the espionage work of the Social-Democratic Party in the Soviet Zone of occupation. This espionage, he said, is conducted under instruction of the American Secret Service.

Schmidl declared that he had been a member of the Social-Democratic Party of Germany since 1945, and for a long time held anti-Communist views.

"I first entertained doubts of the correctness of my views," declared Schmidl, "when in the autumn of 1947 Hans Joachim Wargman, as a courier of the 'Eastern Bureau' of the Social-Democratic Party, arrived and demanded the collection of information of a military, political and economic nature, particularly stressing the necessity of collecting information about the troops of the Soviet Army, which he alleged was required by the leadership of the Social-Democratic Party for propaganda purposes."

FLED EXPOSURE

Schmidl further testified that he had systematically collected information about the political and economic life of Jena, but that later, to avoid arrest, he and other members of the espionage group—Horst Sterlpart and Conrad Abel—crossed the demarcation line and went to Hanover (British zone), where he went to the "Eastern Bureau" of the Social-Democratic Party, which is concealed under the official label of "Organization for the Protection of Eastern Refugees."

"The 'Eastern Bureau' Schmidl declared, 'asked me to work as a liaison in the Soviet zone, the task being to collect espionage information from agents. My friend Conrad Abel, who had fled to Hanover with me, was used in the same way. The 'Eastern Bureau' put him in touch with the American Secret Service CIO. He is now carrying out the instructions of the Darmstadt Department of this organization."

LEARNED SPY STRUCTURE

"Through my personal friendly connections I got to know the whole structure of the Social-Democratic Party espionage centre and with the personnel, aims and tasks of this organization, as well as with the tactics and methods of undermining work in the Soviet zone."

According to Schmidl, the con-

tact between the agents of the "Eastern Bureau" in the Soviet zone and their practical leadership is maintained by the Organizational Department, which up to July, 1948, was directed by Werner Uhlig, a former sergeant-major in the Hitlerite Army who at one time took part in punitive expeditions against Byelorussia guerrillas.

BRIEFED

Before being sent to the Soviet zone the liaison workers are briefed on methods of contacting the agents. They are given addresses of agents, money for their journey, false documents and names, and inter-zonal passports. Four typewritten copies and two photostatic copies are made of the reports of agents.

The original report is sent to Kurt Schumacher. The first copy goes to the American Secret Service (CIC) the second goes to the British Secret Service (FSS). The third goes to the leader of the press department of the Social-Democratic Party, Fritz Heine. The last copy is sent to the archives.

At the head of the card-indexing department of the "Eastern Bureau" is a former observer of the German Air Force Wittelborn (alias Hermann Richter), who, according to his own story, served in 1936 in the "Condor" Legion in Spain, and during the second World War took part in air raids on British and later on Russian cities.

WRECKING WORK

The "Eastern Bureau" organizes wrecking work in the Soviet occupation zone with the assistance of its Berlin branches. One of these branches is in the building of the Berlin Committee of the Social-Democratic Party or Zitenstrasse (Schoenberg district—American Sector). Another is at Hammersteinstrasse 14a, Schmargendorf.

The "Eastern Bureau" is systematically trying to get its agents into responsible posts in various administrative bodies of the Soviet zone, as well as into the Socialist Unity Party of Germany, the Liberal Democratic Party, the Christian Democratic Union and other democratic organizations.

The Bureau demands sabotage activities from its agents, particularly in the sphere of violations of orders of the Soviet Military Administration, wrecking in economy, and discrediting of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany.

SUPPLIES SABOTAGED

The "Eastern Bureau" assumes that by its criminal measures it will succeed in wrecking supplies to the population in the Soviet zone, so as to prove the "incapability" of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany and to arouse dissatisfaction.

Schmidl gave a large number of concrete facts of acts of wrecking and sabotage carried out by the agents of the "Eastern Bureau" in the Soviet zone, as a result of which the German population was the first to suffer. Among them was the destruction of raw materials and finished articles at national enterprises in Saxony, inundation of the Eastern zone with worthless currency from the Western zones, collection of military, political and economic data about the Soviet Army and about the activities of Party and Government institutions in Saxony, etc.

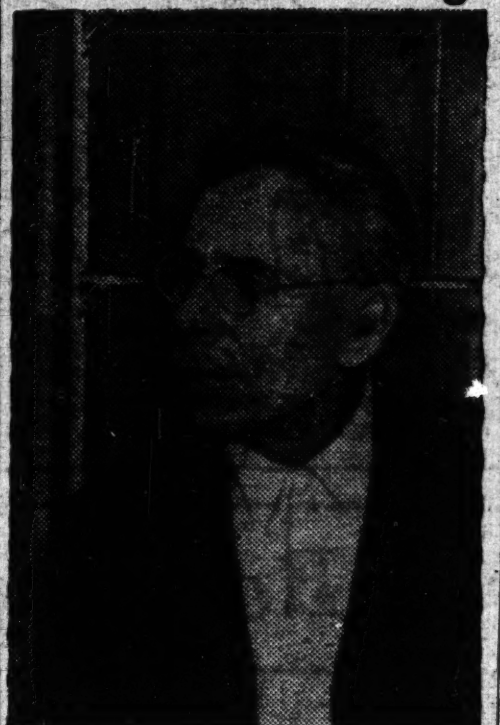
According to the assignment of the Anglo-American secret services, the contact between the agents in the Soviet occupation zone is arranged on a system of fives. "What is more," Schmidl added, "I know that the Americans proposed that this network must be armed to organize acts of terrorism and sabotage."

Around the Dial, Bob Lanter's column on radio, appears every day in the Daily Worker and in the weekend Worker.

ALP Asks O'Dwyer Stop Witchhunt in City Schools

The American Labor Party yesterday requested Mayor O'Dwyer to "include in your forthcoming annual message to the City Council a clear-cut assurance to the city's teachers that there will be no political persecution." It was pointed out that this "has

Faces Murder Charge



Paul Dienes, 72, shown in Parma, O., jail after police say he told them he beat his wife, Mary, 66, to death because "she talked too much." Police Chief Lester Roeper said that Dienes would be charged with first degree murder. The couple married 51 years ago.

already caused the death of a teacher and threatens to spread hysteria in our public school system."

Arthur Schutler, ALP executive secretary, cited to the Mayor the death by suicide of Mrs. Minnie Gutride after she had been called out of her classroom last week and questioned concerning an alleged political meeting in 1940 or 1941.

The body of Mrs. Gutride, 40-year old widow, was discovered last Thursday night in her apartment at 200 E. 16 St., after she had been grilled by Dr. John F. Conroy, assistant superintendent of schools, and Nicholas Buccell, law secretary of the Board of Education. Mrs. Gutride was a school teacher for 17 years.

ADMITS WITCHHUNT

Needled by the criticism of the Teachers Union, of which Mrs. Gutride was an active member, Dr. William Jansen, Supt. of Schools, yesterday denied that a witchhunt was being conducted in the schools. However, in his statement, Jansen outlined the procedure in which a teacher will face the inquisitors. He maintained that teachers would be permitted counsel. Mrs. Gutride,

however, was grilled without advance notice and in a threatening manner.

"The acute crisis in our school system," Schutler told the Mayor, "will not be covered up with political witchhunts. So-called loyalty probes are no substitutes for building more schools, increasing teachers' salaries or assuring our children a decent education."

Schutler emphasized that it was shocking to find the school system adopt methods as vicious as those of the discredited House Un-American Committee.

"Instead of joining in the widespread demand for the abolition of this Un-American Committee," Schutler said, "our school officials are trying to ape it as a local witch-hunting agency."

The ALP also called on the Board of Education for "prompt action to stop political witch-hunting in the city's schools."

Mrs. Ybarbo Gets 20 Years

MARBURG, Germany, Dec. 28 (UP).—Mrs. Wilma Ybarbo, 23, Malden, Mass., was sentenced to 20 years in jail today for the slaying of her GI husband, Sgt. John Ybarbo.

A three-man military court found her guilty on two charges of manslaughter "with malice aforethought" and sentenced her to 20 years on each count, the terms to run concurrently.

In announcing the verdict, presiding judge Dewitt White, Morgantown, Pa., said evidence during the eight-day trial showed that Mrs. Ybarbo started the argument which led to the fatal shooting.

Wisconsin CIO Parley Smothers Discussion

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 28.—A total of 450 delegates, representing about 35 percent fewer affiliated workers than at previous conventions, went home after a three-day red-baiting, anti-Soviet spree at the annual convention of the Wisconsin CIO.

In the spirit of the national CIO convention, the right wing chairman, Herman Steffes, refused to recognize speakers, ignored opposition votes and declared votes "unanimous" on controversial resolutions. Even the steel director, Walter Burke, a right winger himself, couldn't get the floor, so fearful was the machine of discussion.

James Carey, national secretary-treasurer, in an interview at Madison, outlined a "timetable" which he said the national CIO had advanced to purge "Communist elements and Communist dominated unions" from the CIO. He indicated the Retail Clerks and Farm Equipment unions had already come up on the timetable, and stated the Public Workers, Office Workers, Food and Tobacco, and Communications workers unions were to be singled out in that order "within a short time." He said Electrical and Fur and Leather also had been listed in the purge.

OUTLINES STRATEGY

The strategy will vary from union to union, Carey indicated. Some will be taken over by other internationals, as Retail Clerks and FE. With others, the national CIO will oust existing organizations and set up new ones for the same jurisdiction. In the case of UE, the national CIO will attempt to subvert it from within.

Carey also revealed that the CIO is planning to pull out of the World Federation of Trade Unions.

The convention adopted a so-called "Americanism" resolution, barring Communists, Nazis, and others from holding office, which its sponsors admitted was aimed at the Communists and Wallace supporters. It adopted an anti-Soviet resolution,

and one favoring the Marshall Plan. Another resolution attacked the *Midwest Guardian*, a labor paper put out by a number of unions in the area.

Some liberal-sounding resolutions on various issues were adopted, the most noteworthy being one asking the U. S. Attorney General to investigate Rep. O'Konski's handling of government funds.

The right wing leadership did nothing about wages, speedup, organizing the unorganized, etc. These were shunted aside in favor of Wall Street's imperialist policies and red-baiting.

About 100 delegates showed their displeasure at the proceedings by not voting at all. This silent opposition sprang from fear to express itself.

The dimensions of the opposition to the right wing were displayed on the vote of over 27,000 cast for a Negro steel worker from Detroit, named Gene Thurman, and an auto worker, Leo Spanjers from Racine, who got over 25,000. These votes were almost half of those cast for the leading vote-getters for the state board contests.

The right wing did not announce the vote for the unopposed right wing officers, Steffes and Sorenson, indicating a large number of abstentions.

There is danger that disgust with the undemocratic and red-baiting tactics of the present leadership will result in withdrawal of affiliations from the state council by many locals with "middle of the road" leadership. Left wing and progressive forces are opposing this policy, which has already resulted in almost one-third of the membership in the state not sending delegates to this convention.

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Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

Poland's Reply to The Marshall Plan

THE CHIEF TASK of the present Congress is to outline the road of development leading Poland from Peoples Democracy toward Socialism—that's how Hilary Minc, 50-year-old minister of industry, began his five-hour "balance sheet" to the first congress of the United Polish Workers Party. It's a brisk short, brisk opening paragraph to a five-hour report, but it has a big, breath-taking sweep to it, like everything about the new Poland. It's amazing to watch how a nation which was formerly so backward, is now, under workingclass leadership, striding forward with seven-league boots.



What a reply to the Marshall Plan—this report by Minc! And what deft to those who say that without the landowners and capitalists a nation must go to ruin!

For the figures show that Poland, so terribly shattered by war and fascism, has exceeded her pre-war level of production by 50 percent this year. In Italy, production in the first quarter of this year stagnated at 63 percent of prewar levels. In France, the October index showed a 92 percent of prewar figures. In Britain, prewar levels have been only slightly exceeded and show tendencies to decline.

In the new Poland, the real wages of industrial workers are 10 percent higher than prewar. In France, the real wages have dropped to 53.5 percent and are still falling. We have stabilized prices, said Minc, but in France the real wages have dropped in one year. And while unemployment has been wiped out in Poland there are two and a half million in Italy and 200,000 in Belgium, an increase of 12 percent at the beginning of December over the year before.

AS FOR the new Six Year Plan, which goes into effect Jan. 1, 1950, and dovetails with the plans of Poland's neighbors, Minc unveiled a fascinating portrait of what a planned economy can do. It won't be Socialism yet, he said, for that would pre-suppose the end of antagonistic classes. Poland, whose economy today is still so heavily agricultural, cannot expect to change so quickly.

But the "foundations of Socialism" will have been laid. Agriculture will be transformed by gradual and voluntary production cooperatives. Retail trade will have taken the path of wholesale trade which is already almost completely nationalized. Productivity is to go up, and, with it, the living standards of the whole people.

The interesting thing will be the tempo of advance—about 11-12 percent a year. That is about a third of the tempo of the past three years, Minc explained, because long-term construction must naturally be slower than reconstruction. And it should be less strenuous than the tempo of the first Soviet Five Year Plan, which was 22 percent annually, or even the third Five Year Plan, which was 13 percent. And that is because Poland will be cooperating with her neighbors and the Soviet Union herself; it will not be isolated as the Soviet people were.

On the other hand, this annual rate of growth of 11-12 percent compares in a very interesting way with the capitalist world in the hey-day of its own development. In the 1897-1913 period, said Minc, the average, annual industrial production increase for Britain was 1.9 percent. For France, it was 2.93 percent, and for Germany it was 3.72 percent . . . thus, the new Poland will be moving faster by far than the major capitalist nations in their cushy days.

THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY will become the second largest after coal, enjoying an increase of 300 percent over 1949. Machine production will be expanded so that 20 times as many lathes are produced by 1956 as in 1949. Industry as a whole will have zoomed by 90 percent. Electric power production is to double, and some eight to ten thousand rural communities will be electrified.

And the production of consumers' goods will keep pace: cotton textiles by 50 percent, shoes by two and a half times, sugar by 25 percent and so forth. In sum, the living standards of the whole people is to rise by 55-60 percent, or double the prewar level.

While capitalism grew unevenly, impoverishing the masses while the top-layers of an increasingly divided, class society got the gravy—it will be exactly the opposite in the new Poland. The whole people will advance, and become increasingly united, with class antagonisms diminishing. It will be the working population that will accomplish all this, not only in the factories and the mines, but in the management of the society.

MINE AND THINE

BY GLUYAS WILLIAMS



Press Roundup

THE NEWS hails the "helpful words" of ILGWU boss David Dubinsky who just came out for an even worse labor law than the Taft-Hartley Law. The News applauds Dubinsky and his "boys" who it figures "definitely crave sharper and longer teeth in laws to help them battle Communists. . . ."

THE MIRROR hauls out a new anti-FDR angle by hinting broadly that undisclosed data may link him up with new spy scandals.

THE TIMES doesn't blame Gen. Lucius Clay, U. S. military commander in Germany, for commuting the life sentence of Frau Ilse Koch, the Bitch of Buchenwald of human skin lampshades infamy. The Times does gently agree that "since she can be tried again for offenses not cited in her original trial, there seems to be a road open for justice to be done. . . ."

There is always danger that in our quarrels with the Communists we deal too leniently with former Nazis.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE likens the Dutch and Egyptian aggressions against Indonesia and Israel to the "strike" and other "labor strife in this country." It likens the "courts" to the UN, and kills two birds with one stone—it okays injunctions against labor unions and attacks the UN for being unable to enforce a "truce" in Indonesia and the Negev.

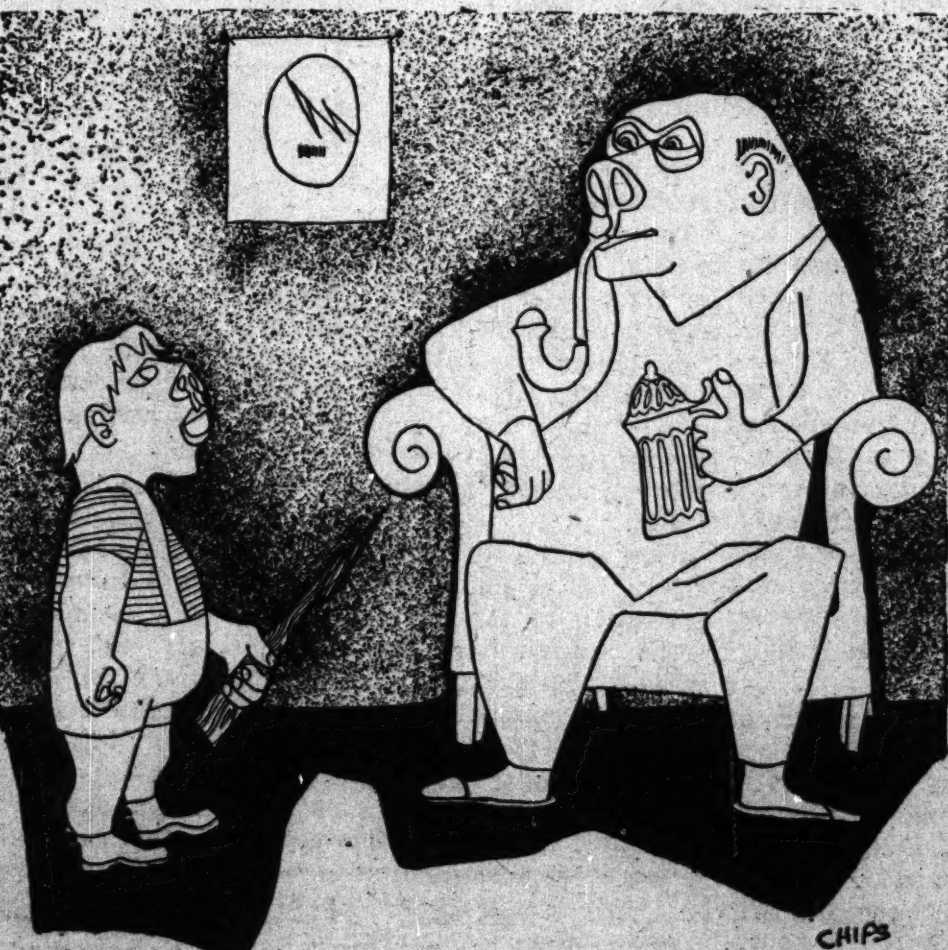
THE STAR is for trying Ilse Koch in a German court for crimes against German nations.

THE POST declares that "The full idiocy of permitting U. S. Generals, instead of civilians, to rule occupied countries has been demonstrated in the past few days. . . . The generals—whether Clay in Germany or MacArthur in Japan—have indicated that by training and temperament they have but one aim for the former enemy states. That aim apparently is not to cleanse the lands so that a democratic reformation can take place."

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM likes Truman's "ad libbing on foreign affairs . . . tossed off at an informal Kansas City luncheon . . ." in which he attacked the Soviet Government.

THE JOURNAL - AMERICAN hails the report of the Hoover Commission on Government Organization as an "able and judicious study of the national defense." The war preparations are already costing the American people "about 15 billion dollars a year" and the Journal doesn't see anything scandalous in that the "combined estimates of the three services have called for as much as 30 billion dollars. . . ."

THE SUN also thinks "Ilse Koch should be tried for crimes against German nationals."



"Why did Hitler kill himself Pop, he would have been very happy here in Western Germany."

World of Labor

By George Morris

The Taft-Hartley-Dubinsky Bill: What It Means

THE NEW YORK TIMES, very worried lest something happen to the Taft-Hartley Law, made no mistake in its Dec. 14, Sunday Magazine when it singled out David Dubinsky for a 5,000-word political pen-sketch. So faultless is Dubinsky in the eyes of the New York Times that Justice, official organ of the ILGWU, boastfully reprinted the piece and titled it "Spotlight on Dubinsky."

The spotlight is, indeed, on Dubinsky. Wall Street is in quite a fix. The Taft-Hartley law was put on the books and was beginning to pay dividends when the Presidential election came along. Circumstances, nevertheless, forced Truman to promise repeal of the law in order to get the votes to win. Truman's election hardly disturbed the profit picture and the prospects of more war orders and profits. But how to get around the promise to repeal the Taft-Hartley law?



EVEN THE NAM conceded that some "changes" will have to be made. McGraw-Hill Publishers, main business agitators for the Taft-Hartley law, even became very critical, seemingly, of the Taft-Hartley law. And before the conclusive election results were even made public, Secretary of Labor Maurice Tobin began working on a "compromise" measure. It was obvious that if the Taft-Hartley law is to be preserved in its essentials, this could be done only under camouflage.

The missing link in this plan to cheat labor out of the main promise that brought out votes for Truman, was "labor" sponsorship of a revamped Taft-Hartley law. The NAM or other business sources couldn't sponsor such a bill and get a welcome labor reception for it. The administration couldn't do so without running the risk of being charged with betrayal. The official leadership of the AFL and CIO could hardly do so after making their pitch on repeal of the Taft-Hartley law and restoration of the Wagner Act.

IT IS in such a situation that reaction pulls out its ace in the hole—Social Democracy, especially that section of it that has closest ties with the very treacherous west European Blum-Bevin-Sarat-Schumacher brand. The spotlight fell on Dubinsky because it was he who was the most relied upon to break the front of labor and pull the enemies of labor out of a predicament. So we have the Taft-Hartley-Dubinsky Bill, all cut and dried and drawn up by the ILGWU's general executive board.

The NAM forces will make a fake pretense of being very dissatisfied, but in their private offices they must be bubbling over with joy. In the meantime, figure the NAM forces, the Dubinsky proposals will divide labor along two lines—for the "substitute" or for repeal. If a significant group in labor ranks, even a minority, lines up with Dubinsky, the labor movement as a whole will be blackmailed. It will be hard, figures the NAM, to pressure a Congress with a majority in it Taft-Hartleyites, for repeal of T-H if it is possible to point to labor leaders who have fallen in love with most of what's in the Taft-Hartley law.

DUBINSKY did it before. When hearings took place on the Taft-Hartley Bill in 1947, it was Dubinsky who broke labor's front with the assertion that he favored some changes in the old law that the NAM favored. For that small gesture Dubinsky won the applause of many business magazines as one of the few "enlightened" and "responsible" leaders.

By so scabbing on the rest of labor, Dubinsky showed the Taft-Hartleyites that they needn't worry over the seemingly solid front in opposition to the Taft-Hartley law. They were right. No sooner was the law enacted than the likes of Dubinsky were in line to conform to it. Dubinsky found it a useful weapon against Communists and other opponents within his union, and at the same time, he found it a convenient alibi for his neglect to organize tens of thousands of unorganized garment workers.

There is, of course, also a selfish reason for such valuable service to Wall Street. In recent months, men like Eric Johnston and Justice William O. Douglas flattered the Dubinsky-Reuther Social-Democratic type of labor leader for the "good credentials" they carry as diplomats to Europe to sell the Marshall Plan to unwilling purchasers. The opening of this new opportunity for a place in the sun to men with "good credentials" makes trifles of such problems as the Taft-Hartley law and a union's security and the pay envelopes of workers.

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Double-Talk About Peace

PRESIDENT TRUMAN'S speech on the Soviet Union and the war danger shows once more that he is a master of double-talk.

According to him, the world fears another war because the Soviet Union did not keep its word on the Potsdam and Yalta agreements. This whopping falsehood (we'll prove it is a falsehood in a moment) is just what the Big Brass and the Big Business trusts need to justify their conspiracy to push the U.S.A. into the trap of the "inevitable war."



TRUMAN

But, having given the war-makers his approval, Truman then turns toward the left and slyly poses as a man of peace. He gives out with the absurdity that certain Soviet leaders want war, but that others "are exceedingly anxious to have an understanding with us." What he is trying to cover up is that the entire Soviet government seeks peace with us.

With his new tricky formula, Truman is all set to feed the fires of war on the one hand, and to pretend that he is trying, on the other hand, to reach these "certain leaders" in the Soviet government for peace.

With this slick formula, Truman can continue to reject every move made by the Soviet government for peace—as he has done—on the ground that he is trying to reach certain mysterious and unnamed leaders, or the Russian people, who are supposed to be for peace while their government is not. It is a perfect alibi for World War III.

President Truman's theory about who has violated the Potsdam-Yalta agreements is as false as his fantastic notion that the Soviet Union is responsible for the wars in Israel and Indonesia.

The Potsdam agreement called for three main things: The demilitarization and denazification of Germany, the Four Power control of Germany, including the Ruhr, of course, and the payment of reparations to Germany's recent war victims. What is Truman's record? Was it the Soviet Union or the western powers which violated every one of these agreements when the U.S.A. signed a private deal with Britain on Dec. 2, 1946, to set up so-called Bizonia? Was it the Soviets or the U.S.A. which signed a private deal with France on April 19, 1947, to ship Ruhr coal without consulting the Soviet Union? What did Truman have to say about the private deal made by the U.S.A. and Britain on Sept. 10, 1947, to seize unilateral control of the Ruhr without consulting the Soviet Union as provided for in the Potsdam agreement? Where was Truman when there took place the secret London deal early this year between London and Washington setting up an illegal western German state in flagrant violation of the Four Power Potsdam agreement? And finally, will Truman claim that the sudden dumping of illegal, separate German currency into Berlin, in the heart of the Soviet zone, without the slightest consultation with the Soviet Union was a carrying out of the Potsdam agreement?

If Truman wants peace, why didn't he accept Molotov's invitation to sit down and write a peace settlement after our Ambassador Smith in Moscow said we were willing to do so in May, 1948?

Why didn't he accept Stalin's similar proposition after Henry Wallace wrote his famous open letter in the spring of 1948?

The answer is that it was the Truman Doctrine which sounded the call for World War III to "halt communism." The Truman-Marshall doctrine is based on the evil philosophy of the "inevitable war" sponsored by John Foster Dulles, a philosophy being sold to the American people by State Department liars using political forgeries about Soviet policy (for example, the article signed "Historicus" in the current Foreign Policy Review).

Truman and the banker-generals to the contrary, there is no such thing as an inevitable war between the socialist state and peoples' democracies and the capitalist system, provided the capitalist trusts do not launch a Hitler-like attack. Stalin, Molotov, Vishinsky and all Soviet leaders insist on the need and possibility of a long epoch of peace, provided the peoples of the world curb the profit-hungry war-mongers.

We firmly believe that the American public will spurn the "inevitable war" boloney, and will insist that Truman quit his double-talk about "certain Russian leaders" and sit down at the table with the Soviet government for a peace settlement right now.

SPARE THAT TREE



By Fred Ellis

16 ERP Countries Having Tough Time, Report Admits

By Max Gordon

THE OFFICIAL "progress report" of the 16 Marshall Plan countries to their American masters shows Wall Street is having a tough time in Europe. The "progress report" was handed to the American Marshall Plan bosses last week as a substitute for a "master plan" to "unify" the economies of the countries receiving Marshall Plan "aid."

The 16 countries found it was impossible to draft a "master plan" along the lines demanded by the U.S.

The "progress report" says, essentially, that it will not be possible for the 16 nations to pay in hard U.S. cash for goods received from this country when the Marshall Plan ends three and a half years hence. This was supposed to be the main goal of the plan.

THE REPORT only touches on one major reason why the western European countries will still have to import from the U.S. a billion and a half dollars more goods than they can pay for in 1952-53, seven years after the end of the war.

The territorial scope of the plan, it says, is too narrow.

What it actually means by this is that normal trade with eastern Europe has been disrupted as a result of U.S. demands and policy, as well as by the political orientation of the capitalists of the Marshall Plan nations themselves.

As a result, the Marshall Plan countries are forced to get the things they need chiefly from the U.S., at our inflated prices, of course. But they cannot sell their manufactures in any similar degree to us.

As long as they get goods from us through the Marshall Plan, they can survive, cut off from eastern European trade. But once they have to pay for these goods, they are out of luck.

LESS THAN half a year ago, the UN Economic Commission for Europe warned that the western European nations could not shake loose from dependence on the U.S. unless they increased their trade five-fold with eastern Europe. The U.S. saw to it that this was not done. And the European capitalists paid the price of political protection to the U.S. by accepting U.S. terms.

This rupture of east-west European trade is one of the reasons for the insistence of the 16 European nations that they will not be able to meet the U.S. demands for dollar cash for all surplus imports from the U.S. after 1952-53.

There are other innumerable

ways in which U.S. economic and political practices, especially the priority to rebuilding west German industry, play havoc with the economies of the Marshall Plan countries. Many have been reported here in earlier articles.

On Monday, for instance, the Economic Commission for Europe maintained that U.S. grabbing of all scrap metal has cost Europe 2,000,000 tons in steel production, and may cost it even more next year.

European steel industries, except for western Germany, are getting none of the 10,000,000 tons of scrap lying around the Anglo-American zone of Germany. In fact, the Marshall Plan requires that countries on the receiving end pay back, among other ways, by sending scrap to the U.S.

THE "PROGRESS REPORT" also says that the Marshall Plan countries will have to practice much greater "austerity" to cut down their annual deficit to the U.S. The report was rewritten three times to try to sugar-coat this angle, but it still stands out.

What it means, of course, is that the already-impooverished worker in these countries will have to undergo still greater cuts in their living standards to pay

for submission of their capitalists to Wall Street.

But the report also indicates the capitalists of these nations are worried about this. They warn their American masters not to put the "austerity" screws on too tight lest they play into the hands of the Communists; in other words, lest the workers revolt.

How this austerity work is reflected in the new French budget. Taxes on the workers are increased, while subsidies to keep the prices of essential items within some bounds and to boost pay scales are reduced or eliminated altogether.

It is hardly likely that the French workers, or the Belgian or Dutch or Italian or British workers will take this greater "austerity" lying down. Far more likely, even with the efforts to tone it down, bitter class battles are in prospect in these Marshall Plan countries.

The worker will not readily sacrifice to enrich American profiteers or to permit their own capitalists to sell out to Wall Street in return for political protection.

We will be told, of course, that these class battle are "Cominform instructions" to disrupt the Marshall Plan.

HELD IN KIDNAP HOAX



NIGHT ATTENDANT in a Turkish bath, Clayton V. Jackson, shivers in front seat of his car after, police said, he admitted his story of being kidnaped by two gunmen in a \$3,000 robbery was a hoax. Jackson first said he was forced to drive the pair 75 miles to Newburgh, N. Y., clad only in undershirt and pants.

Life of the Party

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn
WHEN IS A SUB drive not "a drive"? When

it's a walkover, when there are "no obstacles but just a few little hurdles." Where did I hear such an amazing and encouraging formulation in relation to The Worker subscription campaign? Where else but in that part of New York where stretches out beyond the wide open spaces of the North American continent—full of prospects, the Bronx? In all the U.S.A. it is one of the few places referred to as "the."

Eventually, I'm sure, Los Angeles and the Bronx will have a geographical jurisdictional dispute over city limits. But this boastfulness is mine, as a native Bronxite temporarily sojourning in Manhattan.

Our Bronx comrades are modest, yes, even "cagey," I'd say. Up to last Thursday, Dec. 23, the night I was there, they announced they had 3,444 subs out of a quota of 4,000, which left them 556 to go. I had a feeling if they were willing to shake out their sleeves they had a few more tucked away, in fact, I suspected they were already over the top or so close to it they were not worrying. But everybody was going strong, and so happy about it that General Isidor Begun and Colonel Murray Geisler are not the ones to stop their army marching right along. The Bronx is a safe bet as No. 1 of the entire country, I assure you. I'm confident they now have their 4,000.

THE MEETING was held at 10 p.m. There were about 350 present, coming in from their evening's work. They joked that you can get a bigger meeting at 10 o'clock than you can at 8 o'clock.

There is a fine spirit of comradeship and friendliness in their meetings and work. Comrade Murray, as campaign manager, said: "It is with great humility that I stand here to record your results." Then, with a warm smile, he said: "I love you all," which was so unexpected in our objective circles it brought a cheer.

Murray has seen the inside of a Nazi prison. He was shot down over Germany. When he describes, as he did at a Manhattan sub drive meeting, what he saw in concentration camps of human anguish and suffering and fiendish

cruelty and brutality, we realize vividly what we are fighting to keep out of our country.

BUT I WAS INTERESTED that all the section reports did not confine themselves to the Daily Worker drive. One of our self-confessed weaknesses is to become so absorbed in one job that we are inclined to neglect all others. I was glad to see the Bronx set an example in overcoming this as well.

I heard the most encouraging reports I have heard thus far anywhere about their plans to participate in the Civil Rights Crusade in Washington on Jan. 18. In fact, they had invited me to speak on the defense of the Party, especially to stress the strong appeal made by Carl Winter in his stirring article last Monday.

In response to this article they are combining with their sub drive the getting of signatures designating delegates and contributions to send the delegates. Also they are getting telegrams sent to President Truman demanding that the indictment of the Communist leaders be quashed.

Some of the reports really show that the Bronx is correct when they say to the whole Party, "It can be done!" The Tremont Section, leading the nation in the sub drive, got 60 telegrams sent in two days and promise 100 delegates. Parkchester Section reported that they are confident they will get 60 delegates. Their verdict is, "It's a mistake to hesitate to go to the people." They met two 70-year-old retired school teachers, Catholics, who will go to Washington because they "see the beginnings of fascism in all this."

The Hunts Point Section mobilized on Tuesday in response to Winter's appeal. They got 1,000 signatures, 100 more subs and they hope to send 100 delegates. Wish my son Fred could hear that. He worked so hard in that area. They have a pledge signed by every Party member there to do the job. They will.

ONE WOMAN COMRADE of the 24th Congressional District stopped in a jewelry shop to get her ring repaired. She laid her petitions on the counter. The woman in charge of the store signed it and collected six more signatures with \$6.

Comrade Johnson, a Negro comrade from the Prospect Section, made a stirring report. "We are mobilizing as never before. This trial symbolizes how the Negro people are treated. We don't want to happen to Communists all over the country what has

happened to Negro people—we want to smash all kinds of frame-ups, especially against the Negro people, by fighting this one."

Two hundred delegates is his section's goal. Four churches in

this area have allowed speakers to present the Civil Rights Congress call for the Crusade, and will hear the reports back from Washington after Jan. 18.

So the Bronx challenges the nation, not only for subs, but for mass mobilization on Jan. 18. The Bronx shows how our work can be made all inclusive, not one-sided. They reach unions, project houses, community organizations,

churches, everybody. If you live in the Bronx you can be honestly very proud. If you live elsewhere you should be spurred by their example.

CORRECTION: The name of the textile strike leader mentioned in the previous column as among those arrested on a frame-up charge in 1912 was Ettor, not Ettoa.

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FINDS FREE GREEK GOV'T SINCERE IN PEACE OFFER

LONDON, Dec. 28 (ALN).—The Greek guerrillas and their Free Greek government under Gen. Markos Vamvakides really mean it when they say they want a quick negotiated peace. Col. A. W. Sheppard, former chief of the British economic mission at Salonika, Greece, told Allied Labor News after his return from Greek guerrilla territory.

Sheppard, an Australian, reported that the Greek guerrillas are now "strategically in a better position than ever before." Nevertheless his visit convinced him, he said, "that the Markos offer of peace is absolutely sincere."

"Although the guerrillas are confident they can win militarily in the end," Sheppard said, "they do not think this would be good for the country because prolonged struggle means more death, more destruction and more hatred."

"For every month the civil war continues," Greek guerrilla leaders like Markos, Free Greek Foreign Minister Peter Roussos and Health Minister Kokkalis had told Sheppard, "you must add a year to re-

construction. That is why we want peace."

The Free Greek government informed the United Nations Oct. 10 that it was ready to discuss peace based on "the sovereignty and independence of the country, ending of foreign interference, and the right of the Greeks freely to decide their own fate." It then declared that the guerrillas do not seek "forceful and exclusive power" and "would be prepared to make all concessions permitted by the people's interests."

With regard to specific conditions, Sheppard said he could not speak for the guerrillas, who could have spoken for themselves at the UN Assembly in Paris if the French government had not denied Free Greek Minister of Justice Miltos Porphyrogenis a visa to go to Paris. His own feeling was that peace could be reached through: (1) Formation of a Greek coalition government of all parties; (2) withdrawal of all foreign missions except a UN mission; (3) an election later held under UN supervision; (4) restoration of full union liberties; and (3) release of all political prisoners.

DC-3 With 30 Lost Off Florida

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 28 (UP).—A DC-3 transport plane carrying 30 persons vanished over the Caribbean Sea before dawn today and either was down at sea or had crashed into the tangled jungle of the Florida everglades.

With a crew of three Americans and 27 Puerto Rican men, women and children on board, it sent one feeble S-O-S at 4:13 a.m., six hours after it had taken off from San Juan, Puerto Rico, for New York.

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, Dec. 28 (UP).—Twenty-five of the passengers aboard a missing airborne transport chartered DC-3 plane were identified tonight from a manifest filed with the Immigration Department. Fifteen of them were from New York City, eight from Miami, Fla., and two from Lorain, O.

Those from New York were:

Hilda Rivera, 23; Ramon Alvarez, 21; Leonico Perez, 27, all from 55 W. 48 St.; Emilia Perez, 21, 112 E. 96 St.; Edmundo Garriga, 21, Jacinto Mercado, 22; Juan Ortiz, 34; Francisco Sanchez, 29, and Felix Rodriguez, 28, all from 319 W. 48 St.; Jose Sanabria, 20, Maria M. Alaya, 29, Irene Rivera, 27, all from 1744 Lexington Ave.; Juana Ortega Rivera, 28, Francisco Delgado, 34, both from 244 E. 117 St.; Esther Santiago, 108 E. 111 St., New York City.

Indonesia

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which armed forces now in occupation may be withdrawn.

The original Council resolution on Indonesia, adopted Friday, called for a similar report from the UN's "good offices committee" in Indonesia. On Sunday, the committee admitted that it did not know enough about what was going on to make a report.

Soviet delegate Jacob Malik denounced the Netherlands for "flouting" the authority of the Security Council.

Malik and Soviet Ukrainian delegate Vassily Tarasenko tried yesterday to strengthen the cease-fire proposal by specifically asking the Dutch to stop shooting and to withdraw their troops to positions held before the Dec. 19 attack.

NEWLY PUBLISHED LENIN WORK TIMELY

MOSCOW, Dec. 28 (Telepress).—Articles written by V. I. Lenin four years before the Russian revolution were recently published here in the latest volume of Lenin's writings. Comments here stress the timeliness of the articles, which deal with attempts by the bourgeoisie to blunt the class struggle with its theory of the "peaceful growth" of capitalism into socialism.

"The interests of the bourgeoisie," wrote Lenin, "require the embellishment of capitalism and the glossing over of the class rift. The interests of the proletariat require the exposure of capitalism and the opening of the eyes of the masses to the depth of the class rift."

Applying this to contemporary conditions, the Soviet reader recognizes the aptness of Lenin's condemnation of "the middle line," and sees in all the chatter of the present right-wing socialists about the "third force" a thinly veiled attempt to embellish capitalism.

He sees that by seeking to popularize the theory of the "harmony" of class interests, British laborites and other right-wing Socialists are trying to obfuscate the class consciousness of the workers and restrain them from the revolutionary attack against the capitalist system.

He sees only the Communists boldly exposing the evils of capitalism, opening the eyes of the masses and raising their class consciousness.

There are important lessons on nationalism in this volume. Marxism-Leninism teaches that the proletariat cannot liberate itself

without breaking the chains of nationalist oppression. Today, American imperialism is a real threat to the sovereignty of the peoples, their freedom and equal rights.

Lenin showed that the slogan of bourgeois nationalism about national cultural autonomy was aimed at obfuscating the class consciousness of the workers by creating a false "national unity" between the bourgeoisie and the proletariat. He wrote: "A worker who places political unity with the bourgeoisie of his own nation higher than complete unity with the proletariat of all nations is acting contrary to his own interests, contrary to the interests of socialism and the interests of Democracy."

For in our times political unity with the bourgeoisie leads to the enslavement of nations by any power which the bourgeoisie may call in to save its class interests. It is folly to seek as allies in the defense of national independence just that element of society which will be the first to betray it when its own position is threatened by the development of a just social order. The recent history of the people's democracies in Eastern Europe has provided ample proof that bourgeois "patriotism" does not extend to loyalty to a Socialist fatherland.

Pravda writes of Lenin's lessons on internationalism: "The words of Lenin may be applied with full justification to the Tito clique, which has broken with the traditions of internationalism and gone over to bourgeois nationalism. The nationalism of Tito's group leads

to a policy of peace between the exploiters and the exploited, to a policy of "uniting" exploiters and exploited in a unified 'national' front, leads to the demobilization of the fighting spirit of the working people of Yugoslavia and disarms them in the face of their internal foes."

The works of Lenin included in this volume were written on the eve of the First World War. Lenin sensed the approach of the war and was well aware of its causes. Writing of the rearmament of Britain he commented that it was allegedly being carried out in the interests of peace, in the interests of the preservation of culture . . . of civilization, etc.

"The European bourgeoisie is clinging feverishly to the military men and reactionaries out of fear of the workers' movement. . . . Power is in the hands of the banks, cartels and big capital in general. The only guarantee of peace is the organized conscious movement of the working class."

But though in many ways history may seem to be repeating itself, the Soviet reader of Lenin's words gains confidence from what he wrote 35 years ago: "The working class is not perishing but is growing, becoming stronger, rallying, becoming more enlightened and tempering itself in struggle. We are pessimists as regards serfdom, capitalism and small production, but we are ardent optimists as regards the workers' movement and its goals."

A LICK IN TIME SAVES TWO



VIC, A SPITZ, shows how he saved his master's life when illuminating gas filled the Los Angeles home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Delvers. The dog aroused Delvers by licking his face.

HOUSE DEMOCRATS DECIDE TO RETAIN UN-AMERICANS

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caucus will introduce the "organizing resolutions." Resolution No. 1 will name the sergeant-at-arms, the doorkeeper and the clerk. Resolutions 2, 3 and 4 will notify the Senate and the President that the House is organized.

Resolution No. 5 which is always introduced by the ranking majority member of the House Rules Committee, will say:

"Resolved that the rules of the House of the 80th Congress shall become the rules of the House of the 81st Congress."

"However," Marcantonio said, "Resolution No. 5 could continue with an amendment to strike out rule 11 which is the rule establishing the House Un-American Committee as a standing committee."

"The wording of Resolution No. 5 will be adopted by the Democratic caucus on Saturday. If it does not include an amendment ending the life of the committee, the Democratic Party will be to blame."

3 L. A. 'Contempt' Victims Win Delay

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 28.—Postponement of sentence on the three of the "L. A. 15" convicted of criminal contempt provides a time for building up increased mass protest against the anti-Communist dragnet.

The three, Ben Dobbs, Henry Steinberg and Harry Daniels, well-known Communist leaders, were to have been sentenced Tuesday Dec. 21 by Federal Judge Peirson Hall, but the court announced it would postpone sentence until Jan. 17.

They had bade farewell to their children for the umpteenth time and come to court prepared to go to jail today if necessary but they left the court smiling, while most of the audience trooped after them.

Surrounded in the corridors outside by congratulating admirers, they were quick to point out that while it will be nice to have the holidays with their families there is nothing much to cheer about in the court's postponement of sentence.

"Nothing that happened this morning should be interpreted as a victory," said Dobbs, labor secretary of the Communist Party of Los Angeles County. "Apparently the court feels unsure enough of itself to want to wait for the decision from the higher court on the civil contempt matter."

"There is a danger that this will lull people into relaxing."

"We cannot assume that Judge Hall is postponing sentence because he is overflowing with the Christmas spirit."

"Whatever we have won in this case to date has been after hard, continuous struggle. If we want to keep the slippery foothold we have now we'd better not let up for a minute on the protests, the mass meetings, the delegations to see Congressmen and prominent Democrats—the wires and letters to the President, U. S. Attorney James Carter and Attorney General Clark." Steinberg and Daniels concurred.

DEFERS SENTENCE

Before his decision to postpone sentencing of the three for criminal

contempt, on which charge he found them guilty last week, Judge Hall asked U. S. Attorney Carter when they were under subpoena to appear again before the grand jury. He replied they were ordered to appear with the others (15 in all) on Jan. 12.

Judge Hall then ruled that he would postpone sentence "until after they have had an opportunity to respond to that subpoena." (That is, reveal Communist membership information, which they have refused to do.) Their sentencing was set for 2 p.m. on Jan. 17.

Meanwhile, the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the Ninth District, in San Francisco, has before it the briefs in the civil contempt case of the first 10 Communists and progressives hauled before the grand jury.

Among those of "The Los Angeles 15" who attended court today, there was talk of possible new subpoenas. It is considered not unlikely that, while Max Goldsheim, special assistant to Attorney-General Clark, is in New York to spend Christmas with his family, he has arranged for Christmas gifts in the form of subpoenas to be served on more Communists and other progressives here.

Ruhr

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finished the wrecking of the Potsdam Agreement, also marked the end of the late President Roosevelt's hope of keeping Germany demilitarized and placing its industrial potential at the service of Germany's war victims. Some of the previous steps taken by the western powers, under the leadership of Washington, were:

Dec. 2, 1946 — Anglo-American agreement for establishment of Bizonia.

April 19, 1947—Franco-American agreement to ignore the Soviet Union in distribution of coal from the Ruhr.

Sept. 10, 1947 — Anglo-American agreement to administer the Ruhr without the Soviet Union.

London discussions in the Spring of 1948 to establish a western German state.

Introduction of a separate western German currency, which completed the split of Germany.

Un-Americans

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Jose Ferrer; Lillian Hellman, and John Lardner.

Other scheduled meetings are: Boston, Jan. 13 and Newark, N. J., Jan. 21.

Efforts of the Un-American Committee to snatch a new lease on life through adoption of a "Code of Procedure" were denounced yesterday as a hypocritical smokescreen by the Civil Rights Congress through Len Goldsmith, national director.

Goldsmith, commenting upon the proposed new "code" proposed by Congressmen Karl Mundt and Richard Nixon, warned that the Un-American Committee is attempting to divert attention from the wide public demand that the Committee be immediately abolished by injecting the question of "procedure" into the picture.

Condolences

Condolences to BESS on the death of her Father

Members of the Third Ward Club, Communist Party New Rochelle, N. Y.

Books:

Carl Taylor's Useful Book on Argentina

By ERIK BERT

Carl C. Taylor's *Rural Life in Argentina* is a welcome addition to the literature of South American economic life, and especially its agricultural structure and development.

He describes, in detail, the various parts of the country, based on travels totalling more than 20,000 miles. This description is

RURAL LIFE IN ARGENTINA, by Carl C. Taylor, Louisiana State University Press, Baton Rouge, La., \$6.00.

especially useful since the statistical data on Argentine agriculture is quite sparse. ("No one knows how many people live on the land in Argentina," Taylor points out.)

The class structure of Argentine agriculture ranges from "the estancieros at the top, to the most poverty-stricken, culturally outcast . . . transient peones at the bottom." In the cattle-breeding belt are the "famous estancias, those owned by the richest and best-known families of the nation. These include magnificent estancia mansions, and parks, equally magnificent herds, beautifully fenced pastures, and miles and miles of luscious grasslands."

At the bottom are the pickers of yerba-mate (Argentina's 'tea'). "Transient laborers, many of them . . . of part-Indian blood . . . live in the poorest houses in the nation (pole or mud huts), and maintain undoubtedly the lowest level of living of any Argentine agricultural laborers."

"The so-called homes of transient labor families in the sugar-cane, cotton and yerba belts . . . lack . . . the most elemental household furniture. . . . Many families cook over open fires, have no chairs, or even tables. Meals

are eaten out of hand rather than about a dining table. . . ."

Between these poles are subsistence farmers, commercial tenant farmers, contract family labor, croppers, squatters, as well as debt peonage.

The types of tenure and size of operations vary greatly among the different crops—corn, wheat, yerba-mate, dairy products, cotton, sugar, sheep, fruits, grapes.

In 1937, the latest figures available, 65,000 holdings of 3,000 acres or more, embraced 89 percent of all agricultural land. Of the something like 3,000,000 people on the land 800,000 are farm laborers, peones. Eighty-four percent of all farms are "family operated" but 44.3 percent of these are operated by tenants.

At the top of the heap are some 200 junker-like families, at the bottom the 800,000 farm laborers.

Argentine agriculture embraces all the contradictions in capitalist agriculture: landlordism and tenancy, large scale commercial agriculture and subsistence squatters; capitalist farmers and hired, semi-serf laborers.

From Taylor's description we can expect only an aggravation of all existing contradictions. In the face of this, Taylor drags in, by the ears, the hope that "a widespread system of family-sized farms would increase the number of people making money out of agriculture."

Of a piece with this is Taylor's estimate of President Peron's so-called Five-Year Plan which he calls "a heroic attempt to develop the natural resources of Argentina, to decentralize its industry and population, and to distribute its wealth and income more widely among all the people."

This evaluation is as little justified by Taylor's evidence, as is his hope about "family farming."

Hollywood: Willard Motley's 'Knock on Any Door'

What Humphrey Bogart Did to A Powerful Social Novel

By David Platt

THE ERIC JOHNSTON Office and Humphrey Bogart turned Willard Motley's hard-hitting social novel *Knock On Any Door* into a "powder-puff" movie, *Ebony* Magazine charges in its current issue.

Motley, the magazine claims, had an agreement with the late Mark Hellinger which "guaranteed to retain the mood and content of the film version of the best-seller."

This was forgotten by the producing unit headed by Bogart himself which acquired the movie rights to the novel after Hellinger's death. Bogart who stars in the film is shown "in the usual blood-and-thunder fashion" the magazine states.

NOT ONLY has the movie "watered down" Motley's grim, realistic social documentation of slum life in Chicago but the Negro, who in the book was "just another one of the guys on skid row," is changed in the movie to a rack-boy in a local pool-room, "establishing him in a menial role." Ex-Army Lieutenant Robert A. Davis plays this role.

Since the Johnston Office insists that society cannot be held accountable on the screen for the actions of its individuals, *Ebony* says much of the blame for the castrated film belongs to Hollywood film morals guardian Eric Johnston.

But author Motley also blames the "teeth-pulled" version on Bogart, head of Santana Productions who made the film for Columbia. "It's just another blood-

and-thunder movie Bogart completely altered to suit himself," said Motley.

The only part of the film which was not tampered with, says *Ebony*, was the moving summation speech by defense attorney Andrew Morton (Bogart) in trying to save Nick Romano from the electric chair.

"Yes, Nick Romano is guilty!" he tells the court. "But so are we. So is this precious thing called Society. Society is you and I and all of us. We—Society—are hard and selfish and stupid. We are scandalized by environment and call it crime. We denounce crime as if it were a magician's whirling in the air—with no responsibility of our own. Until we do away with the type of neighborhoods which produced this boy, ten will spring up to take his place. A hundred. A thousand. Until we wipe out our slums and rebuild them—knock on any door—and you may find Nick Romano."

THERE'S ONLY ONE mention of racial discrimination in the picture. In the courtroom scene, the prosecutor in an attempt to break down a witness who insists he saw Nick at the Cobra Tap at the time of the slaying of a policeman, "folds his arms and triumphantly" tells him: "What would you say if I reminded you that Negroes are not served at the Cobra Tap?" But outside of one or two scenes in the courtroom, the novel has been "powder-puffed" beyond recognition, the article says.

Willard Motley spent eight years on his book, Bogart and Columbia

Movies:

'Treasure of Sierra Madre' Critics' 'Best Film' Choice

THE TREASURE OF SIERRA MADRE and John Huston, who directed it, were cited as the best picture and directing job of the year by the New York Film Critics Circle at a meeting yesterday at the Newspaper Guild headquarters. Representatives of New York's metropolitan newspapers also chose the performances of Olivia de Havilland and Laurence Olivier in *The Snake Pit* and *Hamlet* as the best of English language films. *Paizan*, the Italian hit film, won the citation for the best foreign language film of the year.

OLIVIA DE HAVILLAND'S performance was unanimously voted the best on the first ballot, but there was lively balloting on the best film of the year, *The Treasure of Sierra Madre* winning on the last ballot over the British *Hamlet*. John Huston won the directing award on the third ballot with a two-thirds majority. Laurence Olivier's direction of *Hamlet* again the closest contender.

For the best male performance Laurence Olivier was unable to get a two-thirds majority and won on the last ballot, eleven to seven, with Walter Huston's performance as an old gold prospector in *Treasure of Sierra Madre* his only rival.

PAISAN, judged the best of foreign films, had several rivals but won a two-thirds majority on the third ballot. Its closest nominee was another Italian film, *Four Steps in the Clouds* with three votes.

The date and plans for the annual presentation of the Film Critics' scrolls will be announced later. This newspaper's reviewer voted for *The Treasure of Sierra Madre* for the best picture; John Huston for direction; for Olivia



AT THE TOP: Walter Huston, Tim Holt and Humphrey Bogart in a scene from the prize-winning "Treasure Of Sierra Madre." Below, Olivia de Havilland, voted "Best Actress" for her performance in "The Snake Pit"; Laurence Olivier, "Best Actor," for "Hamlet."

de Havilland's performance in *The Snake Pit*; Walter Huston's performance in the winning film; and for *Four Steps in the Clouds* as the best foreign language film.

IN ANSWER to an appeal of the London Film Critics Circle, the New York group voted its support of Miss E. Arnet-Robertson, the former BBC film critic, who is appealing to the House of Lords for a reversal of a suit against Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer that she had won in a lower court. MGM had called for her dismissal from her job because of the adverse criticism that their pictures had drawn from her.

At its meeting yesterday, the New York critics resolved to "express immediate accord with the Film Critics Circle of London" in its support of Miss Robertson and "to render financial assistance in whatever way it may determine is practically."

A committee of Bosley Crowther, of *The Times*, Cecilia Ager, of the *Star*, and Leo Mshkin of the *Morning Telegraph* was appointed to study an "amicus brief" filed by The National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions in support of the Hollywood Ten in their "contempt" trials. The New York critics will vote on whether to add its support to the brief when it receives the report of the committee.



OTHER FILM NEWS AND COMMENT: In Birmingham, Ala., a six woman commission (all Daughters of the Confederacy, no doubt) has been appointed to see all movies and act as advisory board to the police chief who is the official entertainment censor . . . Following a private screening of *Joan of Arc* in Philadelphia for Cardinal Daugherty and a number of Bishops, Catholic churches in the city of brotherly love have been pushing the film with leaflets, posters and sermons.

MORE HOLLYWOOD WIT AND HUMOR: A patron attending a performance of *Forever Amber* in a midwest theatre dashed up to the usher and breathlessly informed him that sitting next to him was a lion. The usher looked the guy over cynically but went back with him and focussed his flashlight at the seat. Sure enough, there sat a huge lion. The usher ran for the manager and led him to the middle aisle. The manager agreed there certainly was a lion in the seat. Politely he tapped the shoulder of the man sitting next to the animal. "Is that your lion," he asked. Of course it was. "What the devil do you mean by bringing a beast in here?" The man shrugged his shoulders. "Well," he said, "he enjoyed the book, so I thought he might like to see the movie!"

LONG BEFORE Howard Hughes became head of RKO, a producer at that studio hired a



PAISAN: The Italian film "Paizan" at the World Theatre won the critics' "Best Foreign Film" Award. In the above scene from the picture, Dots Johnson, American Negro actor, and a young Italian boy are having a heart-to-heart talk.

new story editor and told him: "I never object to honest criticism—so don't be afraid to tell me what you think, even if it costs you your job."

HAROLD ADAMSON tells about the Hollywood doctor who

got an urgent call from a producer saying his small son had swallowed a fountain pen. "Hold everything, I'll be right over," said the doc. "By the way," he added, "what are you doing in the meantime?" "Using a pencil," said the producer.

By BARNARD RUBIN

THE BIG SCANDAL in France—which you don't hear much about here—is the fact that the Wall Street-controlled French government has returned the great coal mines at Le Creuzot, nationalized after V-E Day, to the Schneider trust which owned them before the war.

The Schneider interests were deeply involved in collaboration with the Nazis before and during the wartime occupation.

The whole deal to return the mines to the Nazi lovers was engineered by the U. S. Marshall Plan boys. . . .

TOWN TALK

Al Jolson being given the come-on by the American Broadcasting Company with its tape recording setup as a major inducement. . . .

Roberto Rossellini, director of *Open City* and *Paisan*, who our Hollywood columnist Dave Platt has reported as having lately and unfortunately switched to reactionary film ideas, is due in town Jan. 16 for discussions with Ingrid Bergman and producer Ilya Lopert about a film to be made early next year in Italy. . . .

The Los Angeles production of *Born Yesterday* opens Jan. 17 with Jean Parker and Lon Chaney. . . .

Spencer Tracy may be the lead in the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer version of Albert Camus' novel, *The Plague*. . . .

As a refreshing change from the run-of-the-mill Hollywood movies now being shown around town, The Foreign Film Club of the Friends of the "German-American" (progressive German language newspaper) plans to give movie-goers a chance to see some of the all-time "greats." Showings will be held on the first Friday of each month.

Next showing, second in the series, will be held on Friday, Jan. 7, 8 p.m., at the Palm Room of the Hotel Diplomat, 108 W. 43rd St. The program for the evening will be Jean Renoir's peace film *Grand Illusion* with Eric von Stroheim, plus Sergei Eisenstein's powerful documentary on Mexico, *Time in the Sun*. . . .

Billie Holiday has received offers from both Paramount and Warners to star in a series of musical shorts. . . .

Will Geer will stay on in Hollywood for a while to do a featured role in the George Raft starrer, *Hounded*. . . .

The Waldorf Astoria rumored up for sale with the New York Central and the Hilton chain reported among the bidders. . . .

La Martinique night spot folded (again) last week. . . .

Broadway vaudeville grosses continue their downward trend with a weak \$304,000 last week as against \$340,000 the week before. The Paramount and Radio City Music Hall were the only houses not hit.

Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$89,000) went down to \$40,000 in the last six days as against \$70,000 the week before. The outgoing bill had Mickey Rooney, Borrah Minevitch, Rosario and Antonio, the Ice Show and the movie *When My Baby Smiles at Me*.

Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$66,000) took a bad tumble, grossing \$30,000 in its second and last week with Bill Robinson, Luba Malina, George Faxton's orchestra and the movie *Let's Live a Little*. Previous seven days it got a weak \$40,000.

Strand (2,700 seats; average \$40,000) was off to \$24,000 the last week with the *Deep River Boys*, Maxine Sullivan, the Berry Brothers, Dixie Gillespie and his orchestra, Spider Bruce and the movie *The Decision of Christopher Blake*. . . .

Ronald Colman and wife have been auditioned by the National Broadcasting Company for a situation comedy show for a spot on that network's Sunday line-up. . . .

QUILL ON THE NEGRO QUESTION

Renegade Mike Quill's right-wing controlled "TWQ Express," the official publication of the Transport Workers Union, which slants all its news pre-Quill, didn't realize, in its Dec. 20 issue, the full implications of its own report on the convention:

"When the nominating committee made its report, Smolikoff took the mike and demanded to know if a Negro had been nominated for the board. President Quill answered:

"I don't think, Charley, that you should raise the colored issue here." . . .



On Stage: 'The Victors' on Bleeker Street

This Time It's the Maquis
Sartre Attempts to Degrade

By Herb Tank

YOU CAN NOW take your Sartre uptown or downtown, with—or without—Boyer. Downtown, and without Boyer, he is being cooked up and dished out by Bleeker Street's New Stages. The current burnt offering is one titled *The Victors* and deals with the French Maquis and the war, and in it the puny Paris pundit attempts to reduce the heroic French resistance movement to his own midget proportions. In this intent and purpose *The Victors* closely resembles the uptown offering *Red Gloves* and the earlier *Respectful Prostitute*. In each play the Sartre formula works something like this: for a canvas take a revolutionary situation; splash and color it with petty bourgeois neuroses and Freudian half-tones; for a semblance of action throw in murder, rape, torture and suicide; and equate the whole mess with sex. Sartre degrades every subject he touches by making it over in his own image.

IN THE VICTORS five members of the resistance have been captured by the Fascist police. The first half of the first act they feel sorry for themselves because they have no information to hide from their torturers, and so will never know if they would have had the courage to remain silent. Second scene: torture.

In the second act their leader, who behaves as if he couldn't lead anyone out of a very flimsy paper bag, gets involved in the proceedings. Since the fascist police do not know that this is the leader they are searching for, the others now have something to hide

and an opportunity to test their courage and win some sort of a spiritual victory. They hold up under the torture and with their own hands kill a young boy they feared might not be able to withstand it without talking. This, for the time being, makes them the victors over their tormentors.

But now they feel themselves separated from their leader because he has not suffered torture. Although he offers to torture himself, they convince him that he can't join their club that easily. Someone else will have to bust his wrists for him.

The leader suffers acutely from a feeling of rejection. The others become plagued by doubts and fears that they may have murdered the boy simply out of pride and not for the safety of the resistance. Because of this they feel guilty and depraved and closer to the fascists than to their own comrades.

The usual Sartre juvenile irony comes into play for the final curtain. The anti-fascists trick the fascists by giving them false information in exchange for life. The fascists, in turn, trick them by shooting them after they have informed. Their early victory is lost. They have talked. In the eyes of the fascists they, too, are corruptible. The fascists are the victors!

THE SARTRE PLAN—some in whom he strikes responsive chords honor it with the title *Theatre of Ideas*—is really quite simple. The Paris pundit takes human phenomena and holds it up (or his distorted version) before the audience. So, he says, you think this is heroic and admirable. I

will now show you that actually it is vile. In fact: humanity is vile. But the Frenchman is consistent. And it pays well.

Unlike *The Respectful Prostitute* which had flashes of theatrical excitement, *The Victors* is a dull, turgid conversation piece punctuated by acts of violence. In order to promote a little excitement in the piece Sartre resorts to Warner Bros. style gimmicks of torture and horror. This is something like getting a cheap drunk by smelling empty whiskey bottles.

Mary Hunter's direction struck me as listless and the cast went through the whole business with a somewhat tired air that may have been meant to pass as restraint. It seemed rather odd behavior on the part of both cast and director until it occurred to me that a more vigorous approach to *The Victors* very likely would have turned it into a parody on the pundit.

Brightest spots in the production were the sets and lighting. Robert Gundlach's sets had fine style and vigor and managed to create a feeling of depth on the shallow Bleeker Street stage. A good job of overcoming physical limitations with imagination.

Most disturbing thing about the play and the production is that this off-Broadway group choose to do it. Last year New Stages promised theatre goers that they would present plays that Broadway was unable, or afraid, to handle. With their steady embrace of Sartre the Bleeker Street rebels have rapidly become the Bleeker Street conformists. At this moment in American history I can't think of a worse thing to be.

Around the Dial:

Edgar Bergen's Last Stand

By Bob Lauter

LAST SUNDAY night Edgar Bergen, Charlie McCarthy and Mortimer Snerd gave their farewell performance over WNBC, leaving still another blank in the network's most valuable PM lineup.

Bergen's last show used a review of his career as a device. The Rainbow Room, Rudy Vallee, early days on the air, down to the present. It was a good show because the light touch prevailed and he carefully avoided corny sentimentality.

I THINK THAT Edgar Bergen is an unusual entertainer, even though he made a wrong-guesser out of me. I am used to guessing wrong, having once predicted that the talkies would never replace the silents. (I still stuck to that position when you had to go to a museum to see a silent film). When Bergen first came on the air, I remember my solemn prediction that he wouldn't go over. My reasoning wasn't bad. It was just wrong.

I claimed that a ventriloquist couldn't get across on the airwaves. My point was that an audience had to see the ventriloquist and see the dummy for the illusion to be complete enough to be entertaining. Fortunately, I was not so stubborn about my position this time, and I soon had to admit that Bergen could entertain on radio.

IN A SENSE, I think my first judgment had some merit. I don't think that any ventriloquist could get away with a broadcast. Bergen

was an exception for a few reasons.

The average ventriloquist depends on the illusion and the trick. Take these away, and the dialog is usually very inferior. Bergen avoided this by using scripts which could stand up to those of any popular radio comedians.

But Bergen's second, and really impressive achievement from the point of view of popular entertaining, was his success in making a personality out of Charley McCarthy. The proof is that the very name, Charley McCarthy, has become a word in the American language.

CHARLEY MCCARTHY has always been alive (to an extent, I think, that Mortimer Snerd never

has). He possesses a certain type of personality. He is a fresh young kid, a wise-guy, a product, if you wish, of his times, aping his elders, pretending a sophistication beyond his experience. He is your annoying—and refreshing—kid cousin. If you read in the papers that Charley McCarthy had a bad cold, you'd believe it for a few minutes.

EVIDENTLY BERGEN'S retirement is not the long-range thing that was first reported. He will be back in the fall, but the rumor now is that he will return not to WNBC, but to WGBS.

As Bergen leaves the network he holds the number 10 spot on the latest Hooper rating. Fred Allen, who will take over Bergen's 8 p.m. spot next Sunday night, did not make the top fifteen in this last rating.

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MORNING

11:00-WNBC-Nora Drake
WOR-Prescott Robinson
WJZ-Kay Kyser
WQXR-News; Alma Dettinger
11:15-WNBC-We Love and Learn
WOR-Victor H. Lindclahr
11:30-WNBC-Jack Beret
WOR-Gabriel Heatter
WJZ-Ted Malone
WQBS-Grand Slam
11:45-WNBC-Lora Lawton
WJZ-The Kirkwoods
WQBS-Rosemary
WQXR-Violin Personalities

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC-Charles McCarthy
WOR-Kate Smith
WJZ-Welcome Travelers
WQBS-Wendy Warren
WQXR-News; Luncheon Concert
WNYC-Midday Symphony
12:15-WNBC-Metropolitan News
WQBS-Aunt Jenny
12:30-WNBC-B. Kershner
WOR-Anwar Man
WJZ-News; Maggi McNellis
WQBS-Helen Trent
12:45-WQBS-Our Gal Sunday
12:55-WNBC-Farmer's Bulletin
1:00-WNBC-Mary Margaret McBride
WOR-Luncheon at Sardi's
WJZ-H. E. Baukhage
WNYC-Music
WQBS-Big Sister
WQXR-Midday Symphony
1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig
WQBS-Ma Perkins
1:30-WQBS-Young Dr. Malone
WOR-Hollywood Theatre
1:45-WNYC-Weather Report; News
WQBS-Guiding Light
2:00-WNBC-Douglas McPherson
WJZ-Breakfast in Hollywood
WOR-Queen for a Day
WNYC-Map Detective
WQBS-Second Mrs. Burton
WQXR-Record Review
2:15-WQBS-Perry Mason
WQXR-Program Favorites
2:30-WBC-Today's Children
WOR-On Your Mark
WJZ-Bride and Groom
WQBS-Nora Drake
WQXR-Curtain at 2:30
2:40-WNBC-Betty Crocker
2:45-WNBC-Light of the World-Sketch
WQBS-What Makes You Tick
WQXR-Musical Memory Game
3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful
WOR-Movie Matinee
WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
WQBS-David Harum
WQXR-News; Recent Recordings
3:15-WNBC-Ma Perkins
WQBS-Hilltop House
3:30-WNBC-Pepper Young
WOR-Daily Dilemmas
WJZ-Galen Drake
WQBS-House Party
3:45-WNBC-Right to Happiness
4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife
WOR-Barbara Welles
WJZ-Second Honeymoon
WQBS-Hint Hunt
WQXR-News; Symphonic Matinee
4:15-WNBC-Stella Dallas
4:25-WQBS-News Reports
WJZ-Nelson Olmstead
4:30-WNBC-Lorenzo Jones-Sketch
WOR-The Ladies' Man

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

6:30 p.m.-Herb Shriner. WQBS.
8:30 p.m.-Brooklyn Conservatory of Music Concert. WNYC.
9:00 p.m.-Duffy's Tavern. WNBC.
9:00 p.m.-Milton Berle. WJZ.
9:30 p.m.-Groucho Marx Show. WJZ.
10:00 p.m.-Bing Crosby Show. WJZ.
10:30 p.m.-Meredith Wilson Show. WJZ.
10:30 p.m.-Capitol Cloak Room. WQBS.
11:30 p.m.-Deems Taylor Show. WOR.

TV

8:30 p.m.-Basketball (Seton Hall-Texas A&M). WPIX (11).
9:00 p.m.-Television Theatre. WNBC (4).
9:00 p.m.-Basketball (Knicks-Rochester). WJZ-TV (7).

WJZ-Patt Barnes
WQBS-Don Ameche Show
WNYC-Music of the Theatre
4:45-WNBC-Young Wilder Brown
5:00-WNBC-When a Girl Marries
WOR-Tele-Kid Quiz
WJZ-Challenge of Yukon
WQBS-Galen Drake
WNYC-Sunset Serenade
WQXR-News; Today in Music
5:15-WNBC-Portia Faces Life
WOR-Superman-Sketch
WQXR-Stan Freeman, Piano
5:30-WNBC-Just Plain Bill
WOR-Captain Midnight
WJZ-Jack Armstrong
WQBS-Hits and Misses
WQXR-Cocktail Time
5:45-WNBC-Front Page Farrell
WOR-Tom Mix

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6:00-WNBC-Kenneth Banghart
WOR-Lyle Van
WJZ-Joe Hazel
WNYC-Holiday Inn
WQBS-Eric Sevareid
WQXR-News; Music to Remember
6:15-WNBC-Bill Stern
WOR-On the Century
WJZ-Ethel & Albert
WQBS-To Be Announced
6:30-WNBC-Rey Rodel, Songs
WOR-News
WJZ-Edwin C. Hill
WQBS-Herb Shriner
WQXR-Dinner Concert
6:45-WNBC-Three Star Extra
WOR-Stan Lomax
WJZ-Allen Prescott
WQBS-Lowell Thomas
7:00-WNBC-Supper Club
WOR-Fulton Lewis, Jr.
WQBS-Seulah

EVENING

WJZ-Headline Edition
WNYC-Masterwork Hour



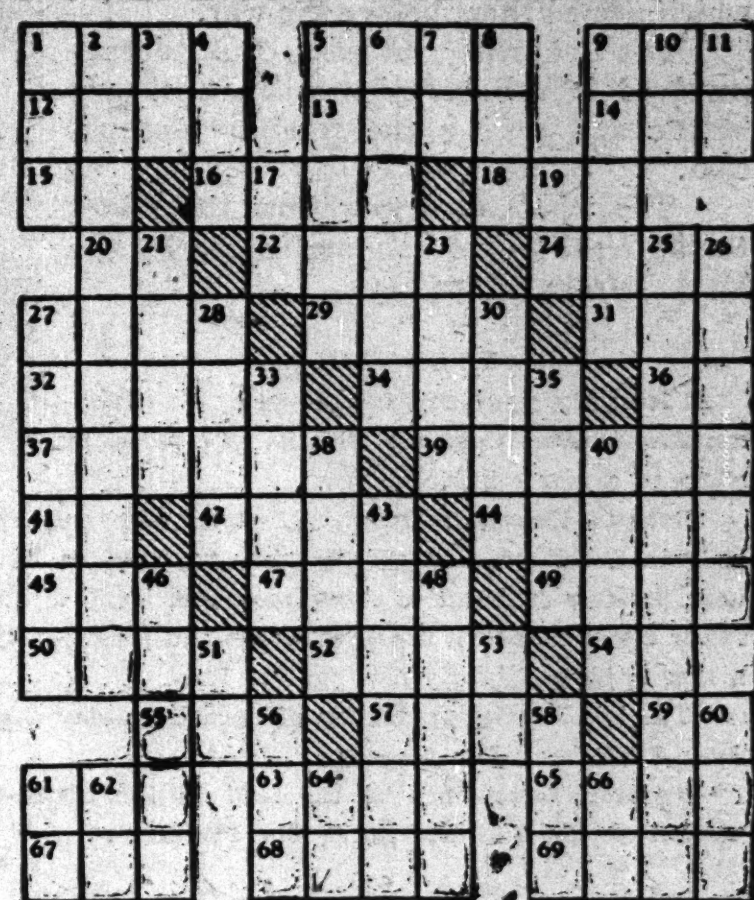
WQXR-News; Keyboard Artists
7:15-WNBC-News of the World
WOR-Answer Man
WQBS-Jack Smith Show
WJZ-Elmer Davis
7:30-WNBC-World-Over Playhouse
WOR-Poems
WJZ-Lone Ranger
WQBS-Club 15
WQXR-Jaques Fray
7:45-WNBC-H. V. Kaltenborn
WOR-Inside of Sports
WQBS-Edward Marrow
8:00-WNBC-Blondie
WOR-Can You Top This
WJZ-Amateur Hour
WQBS-Mr. Chameleon
WQXR-News; Symphony Hall
8:30-WNBC-Great Gildersleeve
WOR-Boston Blackie
WQBS-Dr. Christian
8:55-WQBS-Bill Henry

9:00-WNBC-Duffy's Tavern
WQBS-Your Song and Mine
WOR-Gabriel Heatter
WJZ-Star Theatre
9:15-WNBC-Radio Newswheel
9:30-WNBC-Mr. District Attorney
WJZ-Groucho Marx
WOR-Poole's Parlor
WNYC-Chamber Music
WQBS-Harvest of Stars
WQXR-Forum
9:45-WQXR-Gypsy Serenade
10:00-WNBC-Big Story
WQBS-Time's A-Wastin'
WJZ-Bing Crosby Show
WQXR-News;
WOR-Bulldog Drummond
10:30-WNBC-Curtain Time
WOR-Symphonette
WQBS-Capitol Cloak Room
WJZ-Meredith Wilson Show

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

HORIZONTAL

1-Italian money
5-Continent
9-Resort
12-Man's name
13-Tusk
14-Help
15-Four
16-Pond
18-Rowing implement
20-Half an em
22-Without feeling
24-Ship's upright pole
27-Former monarch
29-Fold of a string
31-Pronoun
32-Allen, Revolutionary commander
34-Bulldog of the sea
4-Venomous snake
5-Entangled
6-Game fish
7-Nook
8-Gone by
9-Mother of Isaac
10-Mixed type
11-Paid notice
17-Upon
19-Part of "to be"
21-Capital of Okinawa
28-Greek letter
27-River of South America
39-Acts toward
41-Compass point
42-God of love
44-To pardon
45-Conclusion
47-Winged insect
49-Obscure
50-Male deer
52-Part of speech
54-Note of scale
55-Meadow
57-Spoken
59-Symbol for neon
61-Not well
63-Author of "Les Misérables"
65-Recorded proceedings
67-Playing
68-Solar disk
69-Main point



VERTICAL

1-Gerland
2-Blockade
3-Artificial language
23-To kick
25-Opinion
26-Relies on
27-Annoys
28-To obliterate
30-Young fish
32-Typical example
35-Attention
38-Midday
40-Prince of Afghanistan
43-Fall for a comedian
46-To waste time
48-One of the Great Lakes
51-Earth goddess
53-Symbol for sodium
56-Exclamation of triumph
58-To fall behind
60-To devour

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle

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Daily Worker Screen Guide

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MANHATTAN

First Run—Broadway

AMBASSADOR-Dark Past
ASTOR-Enchantment
AUGUST PLAYHOUSE-Monsieur Vincent
BIJOU-The Red Shoe
ELYSEE-What's on Your Mind
FULTON-Joan of Arc
GLOBE-Whiplash
GOLDEN-Pardieu; Rose Scariotti
GOTHAM-Angel on the Amazon
LITTLE CARMINE-Four Steps in the Clouds
LITTLE CINEMET-The Eagle With Two Heads
MAYFAIR-One Sunday Afternoon
MUSEUM OF MODERN ART-Cavalcade
NEW EUROPE-To Bye Cocky Muzikant
NEW YORK-Trouble Makers; Renegade; of Senora
PARAMOUNT-Palafese
PARIS-Symphonic PASTORALE
PARK AVENUE-Hamlet
PIX-Copacabana; Dark Passage
RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL-Words and Music
RIALTO-In the Navy; Fendia My Sareng
RIVOLI-The Snake PH
ROXY-That Wonderful Urge
STANLEY-Symphony of Life
STRAND-Adventures of Don Juan
VICTORIA Joao of Arc
WORLD-Palau
5TH AVE. PLAYHOUSE-Beauty and the Beast; She Shines

East Side

TRIBUNE-Love Letters; Kitty
ART-Dulcimer Street
CHARLES-The Swordsman; If I'm Lucky
ACADEMY OF MUSIC-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
CITY-Vespene; Farfrique
GRAMERCY PARK CINEMA-For the Love of Mary
54TH ST.-Ghost and Mrs. Muir; Luxury Liner
TUDOR-My Son, My Son; International Lady
BEVERLY-Great Expectations; Mikado
52ND ST. TRANS-LUX-Secret Land
NORMANDIE-Crusades
SUTTON-Blanche Fury
PLAZA-Rope
ARCADIA-Merrily We Live; Matinee Scandal
YORK-Good Sam; Bodyguard
68TH ST. PLAYHOUSE-Secret Land
TRANS-LUX 72ND ST.-Louisiana Story
TRANS-LUX MONROE-Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
TRANS-LUX COLONY-Merrily We Live; Matinee Scandal
65TH ST. TRANS-LUX-Dulcimer Street
66TH ST. GRANDE-All Laugh Show
GRACIE SQUARE-Mikado; Dosty Rides Again

West Side

WAVERLY-Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
5TH ST. PLAYHOUSE-Rope
GREENWICH-Humoresque; Madams of the Seven Moons
ELGIN-Pittfall; Intrigue
TERRACE-Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
SAVOY-My Son, My Son; International Lady
SELWYN-Sorry, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
LYRIC-Love of Carmine; Lullaby Slaves
TIMES SQUARE-Blind Spot; Red River Renegade
APOLLO-Street of Shadows; Nanook of the North
NEW AMSTERDAM-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
LAFFMOVIE-Charlie Chaplin Plays Carmen

BRYANT-Western Union; Hellzapoppin
SQUIRE-Club de Femmes; School for Signers
BELMONT-Barbante de Manha; Cantinias y ou Taxi
TIVOLI-High Tide; Louisiana
TOWN-Strike Me Pink; Straight, Place and Show
BEACON-Waterloo Road; Don't Take It to Heart
77TH ST.-This Happy Breed; Captive Heart
SCHUYLER-A Rose; Smart Girls Don't Talk
STODDARD-Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
THALIA-Human Boat; Kiss of Fire
RIVERSIDE-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
RIVIERA-Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
MIDTOWN-Secrets of a Ballerina
CARLTON-Love Letters; Kitty
EDISON-Marked Woman; Black Bart
ARDEN-Mummy's Ghost; Ghost of Frankenstein
NEMO-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
COLUMBIA-Other Love; Secret Land
DELMAR-Chashita La De Triana; El Diario De Una Mujer

Washington Heights

DORSET-Philadelphia Story; Night at the Opera
AUDUBON-This Love of Ours
UPTOWN-Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
HEIGHTS-Drums; Four Feathers
GEM-High Seas; Dark Journey
LANE-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
EDMUND-American Empire; Buckskin Frontier
ALPINE-Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
DALE-Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera

BRONX

ALLERTON-Rope; Smart Girls
SEACH-Hazard
BEDFORD-Sahara; Duffy's Tavern
CIRCLE-Duke of West Point; King of the Turf
CONCOURSE-Bride of Frankenstein; Son of Frankenstein
EARL-Apartment for Peggy
FENWAY-Good Sam; Bodyguard
FREEMAN-Roman Scandals; Thief of Bagdad
DE LUXE-Rio; Zanzibar
GLOBE-Beyond Glory; Hazard
LIDO-Rachel and the Stranger; Tarzan and the Mermaids
MOSHOLU-Tap Roots; Secret Land
NEW RITZ-Road to Utopia; Mark of Zorro
PARK PLAZA-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
ROSEDALE-High Seas; Frisco Sal
SQUARE-Where There is Life; Saigon
TUXEDO-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
UNIVERSITY-Homage; Christmas Carol
VALENTINE-Secret Clav; Secret Weapon
ZENITH-Palmy Days; Jungle Book

BROOKLYN—Downtown

PARAMOUNT-Miss Tatlock's Millions; Sixteen Fathoms Deep
FOX-Fighter Squadron; Michael O'Halloran
MAJESTIC-Count of Monte Cristo; Son of Monte Cristo
MONMART-Cheyenne; Road to Utopia
ST. GEORGE PLAYHOUSE-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands
STRAND-Walk a Crooked Mile; Strawberry Road
For the Love of Mary
TERMINAL-Black Swan; Buffalo Bill
TIVOLI-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
CARLETON-Duke of West Point; King of the Turf
SANDERS-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
Bedford
BELL CINEMA-Gypsy Wildcat; Dosty Rides Again
LINCOLN-Empire Waltz; I Jane Doe
NATIONAL-Smugglers' Cove; Billy the Kid Returns
SAVOY-Secret Clav; Secret Weapon
Green Heights
CARROLL-Beyond Glory; Hazard
CROWN-Merrily We Live; Tarzan and the Mermaids
CONGRESS-Beyond Glory; Hazard

ROGERS-Angels With Dirty Faces; They Drive By Night
STADIUM-Secret Clav; Secret Weapon

Flatbush

ALBEMARLE-You Can't Take It With You; The Whole Town's Talking
ASTOR-Jamies Inn; Sidewalks of London
AVILON-Tap Roots; Secret Land
AVENUE D-Date With Judy; Old Los Angeles
AVENUE U-Good Sam; Bodyguard
BEVERLY-Canon City; Raw Deal
CLARIDGE-Beyond Glory; Hazard
COLLEGE-Bill and Co.; Eyes of Texas
ELM-Tap Roots; Secret Land
FARRAGUT-Tap Roots; Secret Land
FLATBUSH-Congress; Sorrow
GRANADA-Beyond Glory; Hazard
JEWEL-Mummy's Ghost; Ghost of Frankenstein
KENT-Duffy's Tavern; The Bowery
KINGSWAY-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
LEADER-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
LINDEN-Tap Roots; Secret Land
MARINE-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
MAYFAIR-Pittfall; Intrigue
MIDWOOD-Apartment for Peggy
NOSTRAND-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
PARKSIDE-Room Upstairs; Hideout for Love
PATIO-Tap Roots; Secret Land
QUENTIN-Date With Judy; Old Los Angeles
RIALTO-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
RUGBY-Good Sam; Bodyguard
TRAYMORE-Date With Judy; Old Los Angeles
TRIANGLE-Home in Indiana; Home Sweet Home
VOGUE-Room Upstairs; Hideout for Love

Brighton—Coney Island

OCEANA-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
SHEEPHEAD-Pittfall; Intrigue
SURF-Date With Judy; Old Los Angeles
TUXEDO-Pittfall; Intrigue

Boro Park—Bensonhurst

COLONY-Date With Judy; Old Los Angeles
MARBORO-Tap Roots; Secret Land

Ridgewood—Bushwick

WALKER-Tap Roots; Secret Land
EMPIRE-Sorry to Broadway; Salome Where She Danced
RIDGEWOOD-Tap Roots; Secret Land
RIVOLI-Angels With Dirty Faces; They Drive By Night

Bay Ridge

BERKSHIRE-Angels With Dirty Faces; Drive By Night
CENTER-Cheyenne; West Side Kid
GOLISUM-Canon City; Raw Deal
ELECTRA-Lull Show
NEW FORTWAY-Homestead; Garilla
HARBOR-Junior Miss; Bill and Co
PARK-Pittfall; Intrigue
RITZ-Big City; Wake Up and Dream
STANLEY-Beyond Glory; Hazard

THE ROCKAWAYS

GEM-Goldwyn Follies; Timber Trail
PARK-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters

Williamsburg

ALBA-Tap Roots; Secret Land
COMMODORE-Tap Roots; Secret Land
KISMET-Canon City; Raw Deal

Brownsville

BILTMORE-Canon City; Raw Deal
SUTTER-Four Feathers; Drums Along the Hohent
SUPREME-Last Days of Pompeii; Shot with a Bullet

QUEENS—Astoria

ASTORIA-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
BROADWAY-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
BRAND-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary

STEINWAY-Tycoon; The Time, the Place and the Girl
STRAND-Seven Sinners; Sutter's Gold

Bayside

BAYSIDE-Beyond Glory; Hazard
VICTORY-Empire Waltz; I Jane Doe
BELLARE-Brewer's Millions; Dakota
COLLEGE-Angels With Dirty Faces; They Drive By Night
CORONA-The Prairie; Smugglers' Cove

Flushing

MAYFAIR-Northwest Outpost; Drive By Night
ROOSEVELT-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
TOWN-Sahara; Destroyer
UTOPIA-Rachel and the Stranger; Tarzan and the Mermaids

Forest Hills

INWOOD-Beyond Glory; Hazard
FOREST HILLS-Philadelphia Story; San Francisco
MIDWAY-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
TRYLON-Crusades; Speed to Spare

Jamaica

CARLTON-It Happened One Night; Texas
JAMAICA-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
MERRICK-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
SAVOY-Tap Roots; Guns of Hate
AUSTIN-Mikado; Hungry Hill
MAIN ST. PLAYHOUSE-Good Sam; Bodyguard
LAURELTON-To Each His Own; Road to Utopia
LITTLE NECK-Angels With Dirty Faces; Drive By Night
OASIS-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
ARION-Sahara; Destroyer
CROSSBAY-Good Sam; Bodyguard
COMMUNITY-Sorry, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
QUEENS-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
DRAKE-All Cartoon Show
CASINO-Seven Sinners; Sutter's Gold
RICHMOND HILL-GARDEN-Crusades; Louisiana
KEITHS-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
LEFFERTS-Tap Roots; Secret Land
CAMBRIA-Tap Roots; Secret Land
LINDEN-Angels With Dirty Faces; They Drive By Night
ST. ALBANS-Angels With Dirty Faces; Drive By Night
GARDEN-Angels With Dirty Faces; They Drive By Night
ROOSEVELT-Pittfall; Intrigue

Woodside

BLISS-Tap Roots; Secret Land
CENTER-Iron Curtain; This Time for Keeps
43RD ST.-Kiss the Blood Off My Hands; Love of Mary
HOBART-Beyond Glory; Hazard
SUNNYSIDE-Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters

The listing of RKO and Loew's theatres has been dropped.

This action is taken in support of the struggle now being waged by the Screen Office and Professional Employees Guild and the Screen Publicists Guild against the major movie companies. With the exception of Eagle-Lion, the majors have refused to negotiate new contracts with the unions and have resorted to union-busting Taft-Hartley tactics. We urge our readers to protest both at the box office to local theatre managers and to the film companies, demanding that they negotiate with the union.

Pupil vs Master In Rose Bowl

Bob Voigts, the 31-year-old hometown boy who coached Northwestern into the Rose Bowl in his second year at the megaphone, hopes to furnish his old instructor, Lynn "Pappy" Waldorf, with the following suitable quotation for the following New Year's Day.

"How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is to have a thankless child."

Voigts learned his Shakespeare at Northwestern and his football under Pappy as an All-Conference tackle on three of Waldorf's finest Northwestern teams in the 1930's. That was long before Waldorf, the veteran of 12 years at Evanston, packed his bags to accept the "challenge" coaching California offered.

After he left Northwestern Voigts took graduate work in football helping Paul Brown with the professional Cleveland Browns and the Walcott Athletic Board picked him without delay to succeed his former coach. Strangely enough in two years at their new jobs, both Voigts and Waldorf produced Bowl entries to oppose each other.

Today with his squad in far-off California Voigts was hard at work on scouting reports of Waldorf's "new type" football at California, somewhat different than the game the young coach learned under the same man at Northwestern. But Voigts was confident.

"I think we're going to be all right," he said. "They play the same kind of football we play in the Big Nine. Bob Clifford scouted them against Stanford and Washington State and we've gone over his reports pretty thoroughly."

"I guess it's no secret that we're adding four or five new plays for the game," Voigts said. And admitting that, he meant there were four or five basic new plays and perhaps 10 variations on each one. That's been his fashion during the regular season. And it paid off all the way.

His team slipped in something new every week to win five out of six league games and two out of three from the Outlanders. Michigan won a conference scrap, 28 to 0, in the only game in which Northwestern appeared weak all season, and Notre Dame was hard pressed to come out a 12 to 7 victor.

Even in those games, the opponents, no matter how apt their scouting reports, were caught off balance more than once by a new variation on an old play, or a completely new play from the "T" that quarterback Don Burson directs.

Voigts has the intelligent material to make his system work. Burson is an expert passer and a good tactician. Halfback Ed Tunnicliffe and Frank Aschenbrenner have speed, shiftiness and drive, and Aschenbrenner particularly blocks like he's carrying the ball.

At fullback, Art Murakowski plays both offense and defense with Gasper Perricone as an offensive reserve. Both stand out in line plunging and both have the speed to make quick opening plays or delayed bucks work for long gains.

Three expert line backers, center Alex Sarkisian, Ray Wietechj and George Sundheim, bulwark the great defense.

Lavelli No Luisetti, NYU 5 Coming of Age

The first visit of Yale to Madison Square Garden Monday night produced that rarity of 1943 rarities, a packed week-night house, a glimpse at a great scorer in Tony Lavelli who is nonetheless not in the class of Hank Luisetti as an all round star, and more signs of the coming of age of a potent young NYU team.

The speedy visitors from the Ivy League, where they are favored to replace Budko - less Columbia as champions this season, sped away to an 11-point lead and the large gathering of Yale fans chortled. But NYU, with Joel Kaufman knifing through the tight defense and whipping in lefthanded hooks, and Joe Dohlon popping occasional sets, kept driving and left the floor only four points behind.

Lavelli committed four fouls in the first half, revealing a lack of foot in keeping up with his cutting opponents that must be chalked against his magnificent offensive equipment. Despite close guarding by consistently switching NYU men, with double teaming where possible, he whipped in his blind, unstoppable looper for a night's total of 22, and undoubtedly was hurt by the caution necessary to avoid a fifth foul in the second chapter.

NYU, a blazing second half team, broke the game open midway through the period and having learned its lesson from the Colorado game, when it hesitated with a six-point lead against the reeling visitors, kept driving and won going away 76-67. Though Kaufman, as sure an all-city man as you can name today, kept scoring to wind up with 20 points, all from the floor, the really encouraging factors for NYU's future in this drive were the recovery by soph Derderian of his early scoring aplomb, and the untracking of Dick Kor.

The lefthanded junior really put on a show for a while, racing tirelessly all over the floor and flaming in for spectacular layups at full tilt in which he brings the ball from behind his body in a soft looping shot that hits the mark when he is already past the basket.

Yale's sliding second half zone defense presented no problems to the NYU sharpshooters. Derderian had no hesitancy popping them with two handed sets and one hand

KNICKS TRY AGAIN TO BEAT ROYALS

The Rochester Royals, who have won five of their last six games and are leading the western division of the Basketball Assn. of America, tonight meet the New York Knickerbockers in Madison Square Garden. Rochester beat the Knicks in two previous meetings this season, 75-63, at Rochester and 73-72, in the Garden.

pushes, nor did Kor. Abe Becker, the "solid sophomore," took command of the floorwork and again showed what coaches call his "floor brain" in making the right moves at the right time to riddle the zone, and incidentally scoring his 14 points.

It was NYU's best game of the year, racked up against a sound ball club which was very anxious to win. The Violets have lost three, and in a sense never were "beaten." Their inexperience led to costly last minute mistakes in all three. They are improving, as expected, and will not be underdogs in the Garden very often from here in.

THE OPENER FOUND Clair Bee, seeking for a "team" out of his large and chaotic squad, starting soph Leroy Smith, speedy 6-1 Negro shotmaker who pushed home eight fast points in the losing game with Butler when he went in with six minutes to go. Smith, though with some things to learn on the defense, showed himself a tremendous prospect with a variety of shots, scoring 20 points.

Once again Sherman White came to life under the boards and played a fine game, scoring 15 and controlling rebounds. Bee went through the game with only one big man, keeping Scherer and French on the bench, and with less confusion as to who was working out of the bucket White looked much sharper. The quintet that worked best in the 68-66 victory over Rice had Smith, White, Lipman, Gard and Bigos, with Ferutado and Miller helping as reserves. Though roundly booed by some in the gallery for what are considered ball hogging tendencies, Lipman tallied 18 points and kept LIU in the game. He usually does.

Whether the improvement in cohesion was a one night stand or will continue will be quickly determined as LIU goes into a staggering schedule against three straight unbeaten national powers. Western Kentucky tomorrow night (OCNY vs. San Francisco in the other), Duquesne Saturday, North Carolina State next Thursday and St. Louis the following week! All but NC State are unbeaten.

COURT NOTES: Everybody who has seen them play warns Nat

Holman that San Francisco is the goods, possibly the best team on the West Coast. . . . Utah absolutely stunned Philadelphia by the manner of its romping over speedy St. Josephs 78-54. Gardner scored 25 . . . unbeaten La Salle took Louisville, a good team, 76-71 in the other game.

Up at Buffalo Western Kentucky gave LIU something to think about by dumping previously unbeaten Canisius 65-55 . . . It's a tall team with a terrific new center in Lavo and a great veteran in Parsley. They scored 41 between 'em.

Duquesne beat Rutgers 53 - 43. Charley Cooper, Dahler, Farrell and Gallagher are familiar names on this tall, set shooting, give and go Pittsburgh outfit. . . . LIU may feel a little better about its upset by Butler, for the latter handed Indiana its first defeat in Indianapolis . . . in the opener Purdue almost dumped Notre Dame, losing by one. . . . Bradley, which beat Manhattan here, has been going great guns. Latest victim St. Marys of Cal, 69-58. . . . Ohio State gave Boryla his points and ran Denver into the ground 66-57. . . . Okhomoma Aggies made touted Texas Tech look sad, 47-26.—RODNEY.

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Great Issue (Stout) 18.50 8.00 4.50

Shifting High (Civiltello) 4.50 3.50

Top Admiral (Scarlott) 3.30

Also ran—Killer Mac, By Book, Eastern Air, Avocation, Double Moose, Jack's Request, Pull Force, Red Pile and Vacuum.

Time: 1:05 3/5.

(Winner Picked by AI)

SECOND—5 furlongs; claiming; 2-year-olds and up; \$2,000.

Yavapai (Dewitt) 7.50 5.10 3.50

Met Point (Dodson) 5.40 5.30

Ackley (Fernandes) 4.50

Also ran—Ben Victory, Sub-Caliber, Helle Miss, Eternal Love, Miss Education, Sun Vigil, Priscan, Paldioch and Graymar Bonnie. Time: 1:12 4/5.

THIRD—5 furlongs; allowances; 2-year-olds; \$2,000.

Banner Day (Hannan) 9.00 6.50 4.10

Streak of Dawn (R'b's'n) 23.70 13.10

Duke's Call (Civiltello) 5.00

Also ran—Banovina, Red Dawn, Abstract, Dubious, Greenbrier, Galloping Gus and Mirinaker. Time: 1:11 2/5.

FOURTH—1 1/16 miles; allowances; 2-year-olds; \$2,000.

Shellback (Civiltello) 30.00 11.50 5.40

Snod Whirl (Saunders) 7.00 4.70

Code Light (Rivers) 4.50

Also ran—Lismore Lady, Beauty, Fuglers, Late Sleeper, Flaminian Way, Faithful, Montage and Nation's Beauty. Time: 1:47 2/5.

FIFTH—5 furlongs; claiming; 2-year-olds and up; \$2,400.

Dinah (Wagner) 4.30 3.50 2.50

Grasshopper (Stewart) 4.70 3.50

Swing Me (Peres) 2.50

Also ran—Anna Christie, Storm King, Rimont, Ben Lewis, Joe's Gal. Time: 1:11 4/5.

(Winner Picked by AI)

SIXTH—5 furlongs; allowances; 2-year-olds and up; \$2,500.

Tombob (Civiltello) 4.50 2.50 2.40

Stomps (Lindberg) 2.50 2.50

Atomic Wave (Allgier) 2.50 2.50

Also ran—M. L. and M. L. Time: 1:08 4/5.

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Tropical Park entries for Wednesday, Dec. 29. Clear & fast. Post 1:30 p.m.

FIRST—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 3-year-olds and up; \$2,000.

Bomb Command 111 Northern Trust 109

In Earnest 115 We Hope 111

Dave's Boy 113 Windwept 111

Cascadian 108 Bee Sting 108

Magnetic Star 113 Blue Gem 113

Big Hope 115 Mr. Chap 115

Royal Pigeon 103 Midnight Oil 106

Quaker 108 Vip 120

SECOND—5 furlongs; claiming; 2-year-olds and up; \$2,500.

Elbow Room 112 Sir Flint 112

Plane Shadow 115 Wanima 111

Copyright 114 Kal Lee 114

Plane Shadow 116 Our Legislator 114

Copyright 114 Our Louise 114

Catch Up 111 Santa Claus 119

Que G 115 Teddy's Rose 105

M. Longtime 114 Oakup Hill 116

Sunup 116 Grand Teddy 120

THIRD—5 furlongs; 2-year-olds; \$2,000.

Grey Jim 120 War Ruler 120

Nilder 112 Spartanette 112

O'Glory 120 Miss Mintlock 112

Chickadee 120 Best Rib 120

Rocky 117 Gary O'Sea 117

FOURTH—5 furlongs; claiming; 2-year-olds; \$2,000.

Honey Bug 112 Suzanette 112

First Citizen 120 Ragtime Band 112

Sweep 'Em 120 Major Play 120

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O'DWYER SAYS NIX TO TAXLESS TRACK

Mayor O'Dwyer yesterday denounced the State Racing Commission's proposal to eliminate the city five percent race track levy and indicated that he would put up a vigorous fight to defeat the proposal when it came up in the Legislature. The Mayor was asked

Dodgers' New Negro Star Long Hitter

The newest Negro ballplayer to be signed by a big league team is Monte Irvin, slugging star of the now defunct Newark Eagles of the recently disbanded Negro National (Eastern) League. He will report

next Spring to St. Paul of the American Association, one of the three top AAA minor league farm clubs belonging to the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Irvin, a righthanded hitting outfielder, was generally linked with Larry Doby, now a Cleveland star, as big league timber when they were teammates at Newark. However, he is 29 years of age, while Doby will be 23.

Irving is a big, strong, fast running man with tremendous power at bat. He led the Negro League for two straight years in hitting, home runs and runs batted in. He is a fine outfielder with a good throwing arm. He is currently in the Cuban Winter league where after 43 games he leads the loop with six home runs, 29 runs batted in and 11 doubles. Another star in the same league is Henry Thompson, youngster who had an abortive trial with the St. Louis Browns.

While Irvin is signed to St. Paul, it stands to reason that if he shows he can blast triple A pitching consistently, the Dodgers may put in a hurry call for him next season.

Kennedy Takes Over Rolfe Spot for Detroit

DETROIT, Dec. 28. (UP).—The Detroit Tigers took another major step in rebuilding their baseball organization today by signing Ray Kennedy as director of their farm system.

Kennedy, who directed the Pittsburgh Pirates' farm system in 1946 and 1947 after serving 15 years as a minor league player-manager in the New York Yankees' chain, succeeds his friend, Robert (Red) Rolfe, who was named manager of the Tigers last month.

AL'S SELECTIONS

- 1—Blue Gem, Dave's Boy, Magnetic Star.
- 2—Our Louise, M. Longene, Teddy's Rose.
- 3—Nilder, Star O'Sea, Major Play.
- 4—Golden Vixen, Better Buy, Irma's Jim.
- 5—Prop, Nonpareil, Jet Propelled.
- 6—Dinner Hour, All in Fun, Rinaldo.
- 7—Segundo Sombra, Bank Balance, Lady Fakir.
- 8—Let Me Thru, Wise Tiger, Eugene.

Grid Dodgers Beat Eagles To Ga. Star

Ray Richeson, captain and guard on Alabama's 1948 football team yesterday was signed by the Brooklyn Dodgers of the All America Conference.

The six-foot, 230-pound Richeson wound up four seasons at Alabama by playing with the Southern College All-Stars which defeated the North, 24 to 14, at Miami, Fla., Christmas night.

Brooklyn obtained the rights to Richeson in the AAC's 1948 draft. The Philadelphia Eagles held draft rights to him in the rival National League.

Villemain Here, Says Could Beat Cerdan

Robert Villemain, the unbeaten Frenchman, flew in from Paris yesterday for his first American fight with middleweight Steve Belloise at Madison Square Garden, Jan. 7.

Stocky Villemain—who gave up the European welterweight title five weeks ago because he no longer could make the weight—assured New York boxing writers that he could beat Belloise of the Bronx and any other middleweight in the world.

He stated specifically that he could lick Marcel Cerdan, the Frenchman from Morocco who holds the world middleweight championship.

Villemain, 24, explained that he had beaten with ease Cyrille Delannoit of Belgium, but that Cerdan had lost to Delannoit and then had a hard time reversing the decision in their second fight.

YANKS GET WEBER

The football Yanks, continuing to show that they mean business for next year, yesterday signed a fine fullback in John Weber, who led Princeton in scoring with 36 points. This followed by one day their beating of the N. L. Giants to Boston University back Bob Hatch.

"Standard of what — horsebetting?" O'Dwyer retorted.

The Mayor then angrily launched into a detailed picture of the city's track levy and intimated that the "snooty racetrack financiers" are trying to mulct city services to enrich themselves.

"The revenue to the city from 5 percent addition to the State percentage in 1945-46 gave us \$5,185,936. In 1946-47," the Mayor said, "it gave us \$14,512,559. In 1947-48 it gave us \$11,952,266. The 1948-9 estimate is roughly ten million dollars. These figures represent the city's 5 percent of what this city's population in the main contributed to helping defray the expenses of the city's departments and other city administration expenses."

The Mayor added that "every penny of that money was sorely needed," and went on to discuss the Board of Estimate's appropriation yesterday for TB facilities in volunteer hospitals.

"It's a fine time for quibbling about the 5 percent that this city is getting to help pay for these services," the Mayor hotly declared. "If it weren't for the racetracks of New York City and the revenue they get from NY residents you could buy horsefeed for 10 cents a pound. I do not share in the grief of the State Racing Commission for either the horseowners, horseplayers or the financiers that operate our racetracks in New York City. I wish they would share with me an interest in the sick of our city and the general welfare of our city." And then declaring that "this is one issue the city will not take lying down," the Mayor said that he will oppose "by every means I can" any attempt to eliminate the racetrack's city tax in the State Legislature next January.

Mikan Still the Mr. Big of Pros

Nobody—but nobody—could touch George Mikan in the B. A. A. Individual scoring derby today.

The bespectacled giant of the Minneapolis Lakers still dominated the four major departments in the latest release from the pro league headquarters. He had the most points, 709; the best average per game, 28.4 points; the most field goals, 246; and the most free tosses, 217.

Joe Fulks of the Philadelphia Warriors still was a good hoot and a holler back in second place with 582 total points, rounding out the "big five" were Jim Pollard of Minneapolis, 407; Ed Sadowski of Philadelphia, 396, and Arnie Risen of Rochester, 363.

On the Score Board

By Lester Rodney



O'D and the Track Mob

HOW DO YOU like the incredible gall of the race track crowd? They are allowed to run their profitable betting enterprises in this city in return for a five percent tax on the take, money which goes largely into the inadequate sum for city hospitals. The 5 percent last year amounted to twelve million dollars. This year, because of the sports attendance slump, it will probably drop to ten million.

Now the bigwigs of the tracks, who wouldn't even pay their jockeys, grooms and exercise boys enough for a living wage, forcing a strike last spring, and who maintain the shameful discrimination against qualified Negro jockeys, propose through their stooge racing commission to cut out the 5 percent tax altogether.

Mayor O'Dwyer, on the side of the angels in this case, angrily denounced the request (see story elsewhere) and said he would take the case to the people if necessary. He should, of course, be backed up. He could do even more than fight to retain the tax and get the support of the people of this city. He could raise the ante to 10 percent. He could demand from the arrogant owners of a "sport" which has become merely a device for betting, that they pay living wages pronto and end all discrimination in a city whose official radio station signs off with "... where eight million people live in peace and enjoy the benefits of democracy." And if they don't like it they should be forthwith booted out of town, pari-mutuels and all, and the race grounds used to build some low cost housing for veterans. All in favor ...

Is Modern Basketball Good?

IS THE MODERN game of basketball less skillful than the old time game because of the higher scores? This is a bitter and interesting argument. Let's listen to one of the great old time stars of the center jump days, a pro ace who led the old Metropolitan League in scoring, played the key role in hanging a defeat on the fabulous Original Celtics in the old Garden, and is rated by Nat Holman as one of the five great all time pros he ever faced.

"After watching the Knickerbockers a couple of times," this star of a bygone day told me the other day, "And watching the ballplayers, I've come to the conclusion that these present day guys are really good ballplayers. Offensive weapons have improved to the point where it's almost impossible to stop some of these shots. The good players have mastered shots that we never tried in the old days, and they are really shots, not just throwing. It's unfair to the old teams to make impossible hypothetical comparisons, for the old pros in this era might adapt themselves. I think for example someone like Johnny Beckman would be a terrific scorer in the modern game. But it's equally unfair to talk of the good old days and run these wonderful shotmakers down. They are good basketball players."

So spoke Wes Willie Marron, one of the greatest. These days he is better known as Bill Norman, organization secretary of the Communist Party of New York State.

Big Mystery—To MacPhail and UP

HERE'S SOMETHING YOU have to read and let sink in for a minute. It came over the United Press and I'll give it to you complete:

"NEW YORK, Dec. 27 (UP).—Baseball's front office executives begin earning their money the hard way in another month. That's the time when they try to convince ball players to sign at the club's salary figures. The newspapers become crowded with stories of holdouts who either threaten to remain on the farm or enter some other more lucrative business. Larry MacPhail, who once bossed the Brooklyn Dodgers and the New York Yankees, labels Dolph Camilli the strangest holdout he ever met. MacPhail was running the Dodger destinies at the time and Camilli just 'happened to drop in' the office near the end of January. 'Camilli and I had a long, amiable conversation,' MacPhail recalls with a grin, 'and I kept telling him how highly he was regarded by Brooklyn fans and the front office.' After a time I mentioned a figure and Dolph said it was satisfactory. We got out a contract and just as he was about to sign it, I told him that I never saw an Italian ballplayer who wasn't obstinate. Camilli became so mad that he walked out without signing. He didn't come to terms, as a matter of fact, for an entire month."

That's the whole story. Camilli is "strange." Can't understand the guy.

What a perfect example of the cheap vaudeville gag, it's-all-in-fun attitude of these MacPhailian characters toward the dignity of the people. All he did was make a little crack about Italians and the guy gets sore!

MacPhail also had a little difficulty "understanding" the reactions of a telephone operator in Baltimore named Anna Towers whom he slapped in an imperious rage because the service didn't suit him. She sued and collected. And when asked by this paper whether the Yanks would hire a qualified Negro player, MacPhail evaded the issue with insults about the "necessary character" and at the same time insisted he was a great friend of the Negro people.

There was a cocky Dodger player back in '41 whose name we'll skip today except to say that he was a faded star and no great heavyweight above the neck. Two of Camilli's young sons were catching in front of the Dodger dugout before a game when this big wheel impatiently pushed one of them aside, saying, "Get the hell out of my way, you little dago." The disturbed seven-year-old reported the incident to his daddy, and after one solid Camilli punch in the locker room, the ex-star knew what Larry MacPhail finds it so hard to grasp, that most Americans don't like to be insulted because of their national origin, their religion, or the color of their skin.

AND WHILE WE'RE on magnates who see not. Attention Horace Stoneham: The Dodgers yesterday signed another Negro player, Monte Irvin, good enough to start right in with the St. Paul farm of the Class AAA American Association. Don't tell us the Giant scouts never heard of him, because I saw him play very often right in your ballpark, the Polo Grounds.

CCNY Routs Miami, 72-55

Using reserves most of the way, CCNY breezed to a surprisingly easy 72-55 victory over Miami University of Ohio at Madison Square Garden last night before a crowd of 16,000.

The visitors made a game of it for only 10 minutes, at which point they led 14-11. Paced by two fast baskets by Jameson, City then went on an 11 point tear to break the game open. With the score 26-16, Coach Holman inserted a complete

second team. The subs put on a spectacular show, caging six shots out of six attempts, and widened the lead to 39-18 at half time.

Brickman, Malamed and Mager scored two apiece in this splurge.

For City, Joe Galiber led the scoring with 15, followed by Dam-brot with 14 and Mager with 10. Bob Brown, the visitors' 6 foot 6 center, scored 21 in the losing cause.

The victory was CCNY's eighth of the season against one defeat.

N.W. Fans on Way

CHICAGO, Dec. 28 (UP).—A 14-car train, bearing the sign "North Western 8, California 0" left today for the west coast, carrying rooters from this area to Pasadena for the Rose Bowl football game. The last piece of luggage placed on board was the University band giant drum. It is seven feet tall.